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**To the Public:—**

In presenting this work to you the author implicitly implores your utmost leniency in criticism. Errors have unintentionally occurred, and we are fully convinced of our fallibility. It is hoped, however, that the errors are the exception and not the rule.

We acknowledge our indebtedness to Rev. H. P. Dannecker, for the pains he has taken in preparing the history of the St. John's Lutheran church as given in this work.

We, also, acknowledge our indebtedness to all who have assisted us in this work. We heartily thank those who have supported us with a liberal advertising patronage. Trusting that this work may meet a cordial welcome, I sincerely remain

Yours Fraternally,

J. I. SMITH.

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# **FARMERS EXCHANGE BANK,**

## **New Washington, O.**

**JOHN A. SHEETZ, President.**

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**GEO. W. SHEETZ, Ass't Cashier.**

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# PART I.

## DIRECTORIAL.

### CRAWFORD COUNTY OFFICIALS.

OFFICE.	INCUMBENTS.	ADDRESS.
Representative,	Philip Schuler,	Galion
Auditor	A. J. High,*	Bucyrus
Treasurer,	Frank Blicke,	Bucyrus
Recorder	Wm. F. Crowe,	Crestline
Clerk of Court,	L. C. Donnenwirth,	New Washington
Probate Judge,	James C. Tobias,	Bucyrus
Sheriff,	Peter Faeth,*	Bucyrus
Surveyor,	H. E. Valentine,	Lykens
Commissioners .....	( Henry Dapper,	North Robinson
	John Parcher,	Nevada
	( Peter Bauer,*	Crestline
Infirmary Directors....	( Benjamin Shearer,	Bucyrus
	Albert Sheibley,*	New Washington
	( William Zimmerman,	Galion
School Examiners.....	( R. Stahley,	Crestline
	A. H. Laughbaum,	Biddle
	( W. B. Forrest,	Occola

\*Reuben Stahley will succeed A. J. High as Auditor in 1890; C. F. Birk succeeds Peter Faeth as Sheriff; Lewis Gearhart succeeds Peter Bauer as Commissioner and C. F. Meek succeeds Albert Sheibley as Infirmary Director.

## JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

TOWNSHIP.	INCUMBENTS.	COM. EXPIRES
Auburn	{ Daniel Howe, Chas. McConnell,	Apr. 17, '89 Nov. 19, '90
Bucyrus	{ Chapman D. Ward, C. B. Foster,	Nov. 16, '90 Apr. 16, '90
Chatfield	{ John Guiss, John Burgbacher,	Apr. 22, '91 Apr. 11, '90
Cranberry	{ H. M. Cory, Geo. B. Wolf,	Nov. 20, '91 Nov. 20, '91
Dallas	{ William Peter, Geo. Whiteamire,	Apr. ..., '92 Aug. 30, '91
Holmes	{ Rufus Aurand, John Holman,	Apr. ..., '92 Apr. ..., '92
Jackson	{ David Ogden, F. M. Anderson,	Nov. 8, '91 Sept. 29, '90
Jefferson	{ James Seanor,	Nov. 21, '91
Liberty	{ S. A. McKeechen, W. H. Hise,	Nov. 22, '91 Nov. 19, '90
Lykens	{ Peter H. Kiefer, Geo. W. Miller,	Apr. 11, '90 Apr. ..., '92
Polk	{ Sylvester Price, C. B. Shumaker,	Apr. 12, '91 Apr. 11, '90
Sandusky	{ A. D. Grogg, Chas. A. Brown,	Nov. 23, '90 Apr. ..., '92
Texas	{ M. W. Wickham, Harvey Close,	Nov. 26, '90 Apr. ..., '92
Tod	{ J. F. Coder, Delos Jump,	Dec. 27, '91 Apr. 11, '90
Vernon	{ J. W. Humphrey, John Warner,	Nov. 18, '89 Nov. 16, '89
Whetstone	{ W. B. Cummins,	Apr. 11, '90

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## CORPORATION OFFICIALS.

MAYOR—H. M. Cory. CLERK—J. I. Smith.  
TREASURER—J. R. Miller. MARSHAL—Jno. Schwemley  
STREET COMMISSIONER—Conrad Kahler.

COUNCILMEN—Isaac Hosler, Chas. Vollmer, W. C. Brown, A. Richner, A. Herman and H. Becker.

BOARD OF HEALTH—Isaac Hosler, Chas. Vollmer, W. C. Brown, Peter Alt, Geo. Hepp and J. F. Aschbacher.  
J. F. Ailer, Health Officer.

BOARD OF EDUCATION—S. J. Kibler, Pres; Charles Mahon, Clerk; Jno. Michelfelder, Jr., Treas; Jacob Lederer, J. F. Aschbacher and J. F. Ailer.

TEACHERS—High School, O. F. Laughbaum; Grammar, F. H. Flickinger; Intermediate, Louisa Kibler; Primary, Amanda High.  
J. F. Kimerline, Supt.

POSTMASTER—Jno. Donnenwirth.

NOTARIES—H. M. Cory and A. H. Schwemley.

## MISCELLANEOUS.

Council meets every second and fourth Tuesday evenings of each month.

Board of Education meets on the first Monday evening of each month.

Teachers' meeting once every month while school is in session.  
School is in session nine months every year.

Engine Company meets every first Tuesday evening of each month.

Hose Company meets every first Monday evening of each month

Hook and Ladder Company meets every first Wednesday evening of each month.

I. O. O. F.—Cranberry Lodge, No. 441, meets on Thursday evening of each week.



## THE CHURCHES.

### Ev. Luth. St. John's Church:

#### REGULAR SERVICES:—

German—Every Sunday morning at 10 o'clock.

English—Every four weeks, Sunday evening at 7 o'clock in the winter and 7:30 in summer.

#### CHILDREN'S SERVICES:—

Catechization of children in presence of congregation, or Christenlehre, every Sunday morning from 9:30 to 10.

Sunday School every Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

#### SPECIAL SERVICES:—

Communion service four times a year. Confessional service every Saturday before communion service at 2 o'clock p. m.

Children's Christmas service on evening before Christmas day.

Christmas service on Christmas day.

Service on last evening of the year.

Service on New Year's day.

Services during Lent every Friday morning at 10 o'clock.

Services on Ascension day.

Missionary Festival in conjunction with Lutheran congregations in the neighborhood once a year.

Reformation Festival Service on the 31st of October, or Sunday following.

#### SCHOOLS:—

Parochial School regularly from September to June, five days in the week.

Catechization in view of confirmation from September to June every Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

#### CHOIR MEETINGS:—

Sunday and Thursday evenings. In winter at 7 o'clock, in summer at 7:30.

#### CONGREGATIONAL MEETINGS:—

Four times a year: Jan. 1 or, if this is Sunday, Jan. 2nd; first Sunday in April, July and September.

#### CHURCH COUNCIL MEETINGS:—

Every month on day designated by Council.

H. P. DANNECKER, Pastor.



**St. Bernard's Catholic Church:****REGULAR SERVICES:—**

Every Sunday at 10:30, a. m. and 3:30 p. m. except every third Sunday when there are services at 8:30 a. m. only.

Sunday School two Sundays out of every three at 2:30 p.m

Mass usually every morning at 8 o'clock.

Special services in the evening during Lent.

Parochial School in session 10 months in a year.

J. G. VOGT, Pastor.

**Methodist Episcopal Church:****REGULAR SERVICES:—**

Every alternate Sunday eve'ng at 7 in winter, 8 in summer

Every alternate Sunday afternoon at 2:30.

Prayer meeting every Wednesday evening.

**CHILDREN'S SERVICES:—**

Sunday School every Sunday morning at 9:30.

Children's Day Services once a year.

Easter and Christmas Service.

**SPECIAL SERVICES:—**

Communion and Love Feast service once each quarter.

Young people's service once a month.

Missionary service once a year.

Protracted Series of meetings during winter season.

**CHOIR MEETINGS:—**

Every Friday evening at 6:30 in winter; 7:30 in summer.

Every Sunday at 10:30 a. m.

**OFFICIAL MEETINGS:—**

Quarterly Conference meets once a quarter,

Trustees meet four times a year,

Sunday School Board meets at the beginning of each quarter.

S. Z. KAUFFMAN, Pastor.

**Church of God:**

Regular service every alternate Sunday evening at 7 in the winter and 8 in the summer.

Sunday School every Sunday morning at 9:30.

Prayer meeting every Tuesday evening.

Protracted Series of meetings during winter season.

Ordinance meetings annually. L. ROTHROCK, Pas.



## GENERAL BUSINESS.

## ABBREVIATIONS.

b.....	between.	res.....	residence
bds.....	boards.	rs.....	resides
cor.....	corner.	s.....	south
e.....	east.	s e.....	south-east
n.....	north.	s w.....	south-west
n e.....	north-east.	w.....	west
n w.....	north-west.		

**AILER'S DRUG STORE**, n w cor Mansfield and Kibler.

Ailer, J. F., pharmacist, n w cor Mansfield & Kibler.

Ailer, W. H., typo, rs n w cor Mansfield & Kibler.

Alt, Peter, farmer, res on Rossman s of Main.

Arras, Mrs. Mary, does washing, res s w cor Center & Main.

Arras, John, laborer, rs s w cor Center and Main.

Aschbacher Bros., merchants, s e cor Rossman & Mansfield.

Aschbacher, Geo. F., retired farmer, res Mansf'd w of Rossman.

Aschbacher, J. F., veterinary sur., res Mansf'd w of Rossman.

Aschbacher, Wm., ag't for organs, res Mansf'd e of Rossman.

Aschbacher Miss Caroline, domestic, rs Mansf'd e of Rossman.

Baral, Miss Louisa, milliner, Mansfield b Monroe & Kibler.

Bear, J. J., landlord, n e cor Mansfield & Kibler.

Bechley, Jno, shoemaker at Richner's, rs Mansf'd b Ross. & Wal.

Bechley, Rudolph, retired shoemaker, rs Mansf'd b Ross. & Wal.

Bechtel, Jno., laborer, res on Mansfield w of Railroad.

Becker, H., confectioner, Mansfield b Monroe & Kibler.

Becker, Mrs. Kate, clerk, Mansfield b Monroe & Kibler.

Biber, Jacob, harness maker, res s w cor Washington & Center.

Biber, Miss Tillie, domestic, rs Mansfield b Monroe & Franklin.

Brown Bros., clothiers, Mansfield b Monroe & Kibler.

Brown, W. C., (Brown Bros.) res n w cor Walnut & Main.

Brown, J. H., (Brown Bros.) res n e cor Rossman & Main.

Brown, J. D., laborer and teamster, res Mansfield w of Rossman.

Carson, T. B., retired farmer, res on Kibler s of Washington.

Carson, John, teamster, res s w cor Mill st. & Miller's ave.

Central Hotel, n e cor Mansfield & Kibler.

Clark, Ed, laborer, res on Main e of East.

Clessler, J. P., clerk at Sheetz's, bds s w cor Main & Franklin.

Cluney, Jno., section hand on n w o r r, res Willacker's addition.

Cluney, Patrick, telegraph messenger, rs in Willacker's addition  
**CORY, H. M.**, collector and underwriter, n w cor Mansfield &

Kibler, second floor, res on Kibler s of railroad.

Cronenberger, A. R., moves buildings, res Center s of railroad.

Cronenberger, Andrew, res on Kibler s of Washington.

Cummins, Wm., laborer, res on Main w of Rossman.

Dannecker, Rev. H. P., res on Mansfield b Franklin & Monroe.

Derr, J. W. & Bro., butchers, s e cor Mansfield & Monroe.

Derr, J. W., rs Mansfield b Franklin & Walnut.

Derr, Frank, (J. W. Derr & Bro.) rs Mansf'd b Frank. & Monr.

Donnenwirth, Jno., confectioner, n e cor Mansfield & Monroe.

Engel, L., teach. parochial school, res opp n end of Walnut.

**FARMERS' DRUG STORE**, n w cor Mansfield & Monroe.

Farmers' Exchange Bank, s e cor Mansfield & Franklin.

Faeth, Louis, carpenter and contractor, res Scharf w of Rossman

Flickinger, F. H., teacher, bds s w cor Kibler & Main.

Fritzinger, Ed, painter at Vollmer's, bds n e cor Kibler & Main.

Funkhouser, J. E., carpenter, res Main b Franklin & Monroe.

Furgang, Emil, wholesale beer dealer, res Main w of Rossman.

Garner, Lon, painter, res Mansfield b Kibler & Miller Ave.

Garner, Oscar, painter, res n w cor East & Washington.

Geiger, Albert, carpenter and contractor, res on Main e of East.

Geiger, Jno. sr., undertaker, n e cor Main & Monroe.

Geiger, Jno. jr., carpenter, res on Main e of East.

Geiger, B. O., carpenter, rs n e cor Main & Monroe.

Graffmiller, Christian, laborer, res East b Main & Washington.

Graffmiller, B. W., laborer, rs East b Main & Washington.

Guiss, J. M. & Co., hardware, Mansfield b Franklin & Monroe.

Guiss, J. M., res s e cor Main & Franklin.

Guiss, Christian, carpet weaver, res Mansf'd b Miller ave & Kib

Guiss, Daniel, laborer, res Main e of East.

Guiss, Ed, laborer, rs Main e of East.

Guthrie, W. S., retired merchant, s w cor Scharf & Rossman.

Guthrie, A. E., operator, rs s w cor Scharf & Rossman.

Heintz, Jacob, laborer, res n end of Franklin.

Hellem, John, painter, res Center s of Washington.

Hellem, Miss Mary, domestic, rs Center s of Washington.

Hellem, Miss Jennie, domestic, rs Center s of Washington.

Hellem, Miss Tillie, domestic, rs Center s of Washington.

Hepp, Geo., farmer, res on Main e of East.

Hepp, Anthony, farmer, rs on Main e of East.

Hepp, Jacob, farmer, rs on Main e of East.

**HERALD, THE NEW WASHINGTON**, Mansfield b Kibler & Monroe.

Herman & Mahon, planing mill, Kibler opp school house.

Herman, Anthony, (Herman & Mahon) res n e cor Cen. & Main

Hershiser, J. S., physician & Surgeon, res Mansfield b Franklin & Walnut.

Hershiser, Chas. C., rs Mansfield b Franklin & Walnut.

Hildebrand, Geo., carpenter & farmer, res n e branch Mansfield.

**HISE, A. H.**, physician & Surgeon, res s w cor Mansf'd & Wal

Hosler, Isaac, tinner, res on Mansfield e of Kibler.

Houpt, G. W., laborer, res s e cor Walnut & Main.

Houpt, Miss Clara, teacher, rs s e cor Walnut & Main.

Huber, Chas., farmer, res s w cor Mansfield & Monroe.

Jerome, Samuel, retired, res Mansfield w of Rossman.

Jerome, Horatio, laborer, res on Main e of East.

Kahler, Wm., retired farmer, res n w cor Franklin & Mansfield.

Kahler, Conrad, undertaker, res n w cor Main & Franklin.

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Kahler, Jacob, laborer, rs n w cor Main & Franklin.

Kappus, Charles, saloon, Mansfield b Franklin & Monroe.

Kauffman, Rev. S. Z., res on Mansfield w of Rossman.

Keller, Thos. F., physician & surgeon, n w cor Mansf'd & Monr

Kibler, S. J. & Bro., tanners, Main b Kibler & Center.

Kibler, S. J., res Main b Center & East.

Kibler, J. W., (S. J. Kibler & Bro.) rs s e cor Kibler & Main.

Kibler, Miss Louisa, teacher, rs s e cor Kibler & Main.

Kibler, Monroe, laborer, rs s e cor Kibler & Main.

Kibler Gottlieb, retired farmer, res Mansfield w of Rossman.

**KIMERLINE, Prof. J. F.**, Supt. schools, res n e cor Mansfield & Miller Ave.

Kimerline, L. J., butcher, res Mansfield b Franklin & Walnut.

Kimerline, C. E., teacher, rs Mansfield b Franklin & Walnut.

Laird, J. T., dentist, Mansfield b Kibler & Monroe.

Lantz, David, teamster, res Mansfield e of Miller Ave.

Lantz, Miss Kit E., teacher, rs Mansfield e of Miller Ave.

Laufer, Martin, carpet weaver, res w of n end of Rossman.

Laufer, August, typo, rs w of n end of Rossman.

Laughbaum, O. F., teacher, res Center s of Washington.

Lederer, J. & A. G., grocers, Mansfield b Kibler & Monroe.

Lederer, A. G., res Mansfield b Rossman & Walnut.

Lederer, J. F., pump dealer, res Center s of Washington.

Lederer, Jacob, laborer, res Center s of Washington.

Lederer, Geo., teamster, res Mansfield w of Rossman.

Long, John, laborer, res Main b Franklin & Monroe.

Lux, George, retired, res Scharf w of Rossman.

Mahon, Chas., (Herman & Mahon), res s w cor Kibler & Main.

Mark, Frank, laborer, rs Mansfield e of Miller Ave.

Mark, Miss Mary, rs Mansfield e of Miller Ave.

Marquardt, Christopher, hosler at Dr. Keller's.

Martin, J. T., saloon & restaurant, s w cor Mansfield & Kibler.

**McKEAN, A., Harnessmaker**, res Mansfield b Kib. & Monr

Michelfelder Bros., boots & shoes, Mansfield b Kibler & Franklin

Michelfelder, Jno. sr., retired, res Mansfield b Kibler & Monroe.

Michelfelder, Jno. jr., res n end of Franklin.

Michelfelder, Jacob, res on Mansfield b Kibler & Monroe.

Michelfelder, Fred, shoemaker, res Mansf'd b Monroe & Franklin

Miller, Frank J., clk in hardware, res Scharf w of Rossman.

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Miller, G., landlord, n e cor Kibler & Main.

Miller, A. P., hotel clerk, rs n e cor Kibler & Main.

Miller, I. F., laborer, rs n e cor Kibler & Main.

Miller, Miss Mary, music teacher, rs n e cor Kibler & Main.

Miller, Miss Celia, clerk in grocery, rs n e cor Kibler & Main.

Miller, John, produce dealer, Kibler b Mansfield & Main.

Miller, Miss Henrietta, domestic, rs Kibler opp. school house.

Miller, Barney, carpenter, res Scharf w of Rossman.

Miller, Joseph, laborer, res s e cor Main & East.

Mills, Frank, laborer, res on Main e of East.

Munnell, John, hostler, rs Mansfield b Walnut & Rossman.

Nejdolast, John, farmer, res Mansfield e of Miller Ave.

Nejedly, John, wagonmaker, res s e cor Kibler & Washington.

Nigh, Michael, retired, s e cor Mansfield & Walnut.

Ott, Gottlieb, cooper, res Main b Franklin & Walnut.

Ott, William, laborer, res Center s of Washington.

Ott, Jacob, laborer, rs Main b Franklin & Walnut.

Ott, Miss Mary, domestic, rs Main b Franklin & Walnut.

Ott, Miss Emma, domestic, rs Main b Franklin & Walnut.

**PFLUEGER, A., jeweler**, n w cor Mansfield & Kibler.

Pickering, C. W., (Stuckey & Co.) Mans'd b Kibler & Monroe.

Pugh, Alfred, teamster, res s e cor Main & Monroe.

Rang, George, section hand n w o r r, res w of Mansfield st.

Reamer, Albert, engineer, res Kibler b Mill & Mansfield.

Rehman, Martin, saloon, Mansfield b Kibler & Monroe.

Reichhard, Henry, blacksmith, Main b Kibler & Monroe.

Resh, Samuel, laborer, res Main b Center & East.

Richner, A., boots & shoes, Mansfield b Franklin & Walnut.

Riedel, Conrad, saw mill, n w of Penna depot.

Rinehart, I. S., miller, res Kibler s of Washington.

Rosenberry, Franklin, employee at Herman & Mahon's.

Rothchild, Jacob, dealer in live stock, res Main w of Rossman.

Rowley, W. A., Ag't Penna Co., res s w cor Walnut & Main.

Schech, Peter, teamster, res Kibler s of Washington.

Schisker, Joe, sr., laborer, res Kibler n of Mill.

Schisker, Joe, jr., teacher, rs Kibler n of Mill.

Schisker, John, laborer, rs Kibler n of Mill.

Schmidt, F. W., clothier & tailor, Mansfield b Franklin & Mour

Schmidt, George, clerk, Mansfield b Franklin & Mour

Schneberger, Peter, laborer, res n end of Rossman.

Schneberger, Mrs. Peter, does washing, res n end of Rossman.

Schneberger, Miss Katie, domestic, rs n end of Rossman.

Schwab, Charles, farmer, res w of Mansfield st.

Schwemley, John, teamster, res e end of Mansfield.

Schwemley, J. F., laborer, rs e end of Mansfield.

Schwemley, Clara, domestic, rs e end of Mansfield.

Schwemley, Sabina, domestic, rs e end of Mansfield.

Schwemley, A. H., clerk at Sheetz's, rs s e cor Main & Franklin

Shaeffer, George, retired, res Kibler b Orchard & Washington.

Sheetz, Jno. A., Pres. of bank, res s e cor Main & Franklin.

Sheetz, Jacob, merchant, res s w cor Main & Franklin.

Sheetz, J. & Bro., dry goods, s e cor Mansfield & Franklin.

Sheetz, J. H., cashier, rs s e cor Main & Franklin.

Sheetz, Geo. W., teller at bank, rs s w cor Main & Franklin.

Sheibley, A. F., clerk at Lederer's, bds Mans'd b Wal. & Ross.



Siefert, M., prop'r grain elevator, res Mansfield w of Rossman.  
 Siefert, Geo., breeder of fancy poultry, res Mansfield w of Ross.  
 Siefert, Wm., laborer, rs Mansfield w of Rossman.  
 Siefert, John, clerk, rs Mansfield w of Rossman.  
 Siefert, Miss Clara, domestic, rs Mansfield w of Rossman.  
 Sitters, Wm., man'fr of tile, res Kibler s of railroad.  
 Sitters, G. H., teacher, rs Kibler s of railroad.  
 Sitters, A. F., bricklayer, rs Kibler s of railroad.  
 Sitters, Miss Irene, domestic, rs Kibler s of railroad.  
 Smith, Jonathan, retired, rs Kibler s of Washington.  
 Smith, David, teamster, res Kibler s of Washington.  
 Smith, L. M., book keeper, rs n w cor Mansfield & Miller Ave.  
 Spayth, W. O., clerk at Farmers' Drug Store.  
 Sponseller, Fred, farmer, rs w of Mansfield.  
 Springer, Wm., laborer, rs s w cor Miller Ave & Mill.  
 Stahl, Fred, farmer, res s e cor Mansfield & Kibler.  
 Stewart, W. D., horse dealer, res Mansfield b Kibler & Monroe.  
 Stoutenour, J., dealer in live stock, res Main b Frank. & Monroe.  
 Stoutenour, Geo., typo, rs Main b Franklin & Monroe.  
 Stuckey & Co., saloon, Mansfield b Kibler & Monroe.

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Stuckey, Pat, rs Main b Center & East.  
 Studer, Joseph, jr, laborer, res Miller Avè b Mansfield & Mill.  
 Studer, Joseph, sr, retired, res n w cor Rossman & Main.  
 Snyder & King, (T. A. King) barbers, Mansf'd b Frank. & Mon  
 Snyder, C. F., res n w cor Rossman & Scharf.  
 Sutter, Jacob, retired, res w of Mansfield.  
 Swineford, A. M., hotsler at the Central Livery.  
 Shipman, James, teamster, res s w cor East & Main.  
 Shipman, John, laborer, rs s w cor East & Main.  
 Tobin, J. F., city dray, res Kibler, b Orchard & Washington.  
 Tribolet, Mrs., does washing, res Mansfield w of Rossman.  
 Vogt, Rev. J. G., res n e cor Mansfield & Rossman.  
 Vollmer, Chas., blacksmith, Kibler b Orchard & Main.  
 Vollmer, John, saloon, n w cor Kibler & Main.  
 Vollmer, C. F., teacher, rs n w cor Kibler & Main.  
 Vollmer, Jacob, stone mason, res s end of Monroe.  
 Wagner, Wm., laborer, res East Mansfield.  
 Wagner, Mrs. Wm., does washing, res East Mansfield.  
 Wagner, Miss Ella, teacher, rs East Mansfield.  
 Wagner, Miss Lena, domestic, rs East Mansfield.  
 Warner, Miss Anna, milliner, Mansfield b Franklin & Monroe.  
 Weidner, Geo., farmer, res East Main.  
 Weiland, Charles, res n w cor Main & Monroe.  
 Weithman, D. N., man'fr of monuments, res s of w end Mansf'd  
 Werder, Miss Elizabeth, dressmaker, Mansf'd b Frank. & Monr  
 Werder, Miss Emma, dressmaker, Mansf'd b Franklin & Monroe  
 West End Boot & Shoe Store, Mansfield b Franklin & Walnut.  
 Willacker, Andrew, farmer, Main w of Rossman.  
 Willacker, John, laborer, rs Main w of Rossman,  
 Willacker, Reuben, laborer, rs Main w of Rossman.  
 Willacker, Edward, laborer, rs Main w of Rossman.

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Willacker, Frank, laborer, rs Main w of Rossman.  
 Wolf, Geo. B., ag,t for tombstones, res n end of Kibler.  
 Whiteum, John, laborer, rs Kibler s of railroad.  
 Whiteum, J. L., employee at Vollmer's blacksmith shop.  
 Whiteum, A. M., laborer, rds Kibler s of railroad.  
 Whiteum, George, teamster, res Main e of East.  
 Whiteum, Ed, laborer, rs Main e of East.  
 Washington House, n e cor Main & Kibler.  
 Weston, John, carriage trimmer at Chas. Vollmer's.  
 Yacklin, John, laborer, res Main b Kibler & Monroe.  
 Yacklin, Miss Lena, dressmaker, rs Main b Kibler & Monroe.  
 Yochum, Matt, laborer, res s w cor Main & Monroe.  
 Zabst, John, laborer, res w of Mansfield.  
 Zeiter, Frank, shoemaker, rs Mansfield & Monroe.

### CLASSIFIED BUSINESS.

**Blacksmiths**—Reichhard, Henry; Vollmer, Charles.  
**Boots and Shoes**—Michelfelder, J. & Bro; **Richner, A.**  
**Boot and Shoemakers**—Bechley, John; Michelfelder, Jacob;  
 Michelfelder, Fred.  
**Carpenters and Contractors**—Faeth, Louis; Funkhouser,  
 J. E; Geiger Bros; Miller, Barney.  
**Carpet Weavers**—Guiss, Christian; Laufer, Martin.  
**Dressmakers**—Werder, Elizabeth and Emma; Yacklin, Lena.  
**Drugs**—Ailer's Drug Store; Farmers' Drug Store.  
**Dry Goods**—Aschbacher Bros; Sheetz, J. & Bro.  
**Grocers**—Becker, H; Lederer, J. & A. G; Miller, Jno; Miller,  
 J. R. & G.  
**Hotels**—Central Hotel; Washington House.  
**Meat Markets**—Derr, J. W. & Bro; Kimerline, L. J.  
**Millinery**—Baral, Miss Louisa; Warner, Miss Anna  
**Painters**—Garner Bros; Hellem, John.  
**Physicians and Surgeons**—Hershiser, J. S; Hise, A. H;  
 Keller, Thos. F.  
**Saloons**—Kappus, Charles; Martin, J. T; Rehman, Martin;  
 Stuckey & Co; Vollmer, John.  
**Undertakers**—Geiger, John; Kahler, Conrad.

# CRANBERRY Tp.

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## TOWNSHIP OFFICIALS.

CLERK—John Donnenwirth.

TREASURER—A. Richner.

ASSESSOR—Louis Faeth.

CONSTABLES—John Kahler and John Carson.

TRUSTEES—John Bland, John Orewiler and Joseph Schell.

BOARD OF EDUCATION—No. 1, D. A. Scott; No. 2, John McCarthy; No. 3, Geo. Fisher; No. 4, A. C. Stutzman; No. 5, Jonathan Nye; No. 6, John Ferguson, President.

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## MISCELLANEOUS.

Trustees meet on the second Monday of each month at New Washington.

Board of Education meets every third Monday of April and every third Monday of September at New Washington.

Cranberry township is divided into seventeen road districts.

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## THE CHURCHES.

**M. E. Church,** Cranberry Chapel, 3 miles southeast of New Washington, Ohio.

REGULAR SERVICES:—

Every alternate Sunday afternoon.

Prayer meeting every Thursday evening.

Sunday School every Sunday afternoon.

Special services same as at New Washington.

**Church of God,** Cranberry Chapel.

REGULAR SERVICES:—

Every alternate Sunday morning.

Prayer meeting every Wednesday evening.

Sunday School every Sunday.

Special services same as at New Washington.

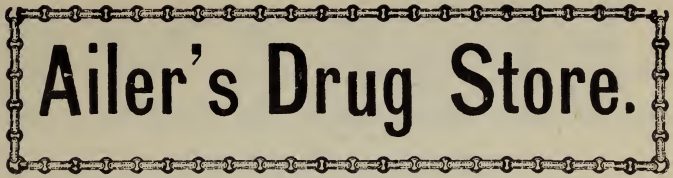
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# Ailer's Drug Store.

Go to the Old Reliable Drug Store,

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North-west Corner Mansfield and Kibler Streets,

## NEW WASHINGTON,

Where you will find a full and complete Stock of Drugs,  
Medicines, Choice Perfumeries, Toilet and Fan-  
cy articles, Combs, Brushes, etc., etc.,  
That is not excelled by any in the City.

Also a complete line of Gold and Silver Watches, Clocks, Jew-  
elry and everything pertaining to a first class  
Drug or Jewelry Store.

I have in connection a First Class



Who repairs Watches, Clocks and Jewelry in a workman-like  
manner. All work warranted. Thanking the public  
for the liberal patronage given us in the past.

We solicit your future favors, assuring you a pleasant meeting  
and careful attention to your wants. Yours Resp'y.

**J. F. AILER, Pharmacist.**



**M. P. Church**, Tabor, 3 miles south and  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile east.

**REGULAR SERVICES:—**

Services every alternate Sunday morning.

Prayer meeting once a week.

Sunday School every Sunday morning.

Special meetings during winter season.

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**GENERAL DIRECTORY.**

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NOTE—The distance and direction given in locating are the distance and direction from New Washington. Unless otherwise stated the p. o. address is New Washington. Abbreviations same as before.

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Ackerman, J. F., farmer,  $3\frac{1}{2}$  mi. s, Sulphur Springs.

Anderson, Frank, farmer,  $1\frac{3}{4}$  mi. e.

Barger, George, farmer, 1 mi w and 3 s.

Barger, Samuel, laborer, 1 mi w and 3 s.

Barger, Jacob, farmer, 1 mi e and  $\frac{1}{2}$  s.

Baublitz, Urias, farmer, 3 mi e and  $\frac{1}{2}$  s.

Beal, Solomon, farmer, 1 mi s and  $\frac{1}{2}$  e.

Biber, Jacob, farmer,  $\frac{1}{2}$  mi n and  $\frac{1}{4}$  w.

Biber, John, laborer,  $\frac{1}{2}$  mi n and  $\frac{1}{4}$  w.

Bland, John, farmer,  $2\frac{1}{4}$  mi e.

Blum, F. X., farmer,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  mi s and 1 w.

Boner, R., farmer, 3 mi e and 3 s, Tiro.

Bordner, Amos, laborer.

Brown, William, farmer, 4 mi s and  $1\frac{1}{2}$  e, Tiro.

Brown, F. A., farmer,  $3\frac{1}{2}$  mi s and  $1\frac{1}{2}$  e, Tiro.

Buchta, John, blacksmith, 2 mi e and  $\frac{1}{2}$  n.

Crum, Lewis, farmer, 1 mi e and 1 n.

Dawson, Elmer, hay packer, 1 mi e.

Donnenwirth, Adam, farmer,  $1\frac{1}{4}$  mi s and 1 e.

Donnenwirth, John, laborer,  $1\frac{1}{4}$  mi s and 1 e.

Durnwalt, Martin, farmer, 1 mi s and  $\frac{1}{2}$  w.

Eckstine, Adam, farmer,  $2\frac{1}{2}$  mi e.

Eller, Henry, farmer,  $2\frac{1}{2}$  mi e and 1 s.

Erler, J. F., farmer,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  mi e and  $1\frac{1}{2}$  s.

Everel, Andrew, farmer, 3 mi e and  $\frac{1}{2}$  s.

Furgeson, John, farmer,  $2\frac{1}{2}$  mi s.

Fisher, George, farmer, 1 mi e.

J. M. GUISS.      JACOB SHEETZ.      J. H. SHEETZ.

# J. M. Guiss & Co.

—DEALERS IN—

## General Hardware,

House Furnishing Goods, Pumps, Cutlery, Silverware,  
Tin, Copper and Granite ware, Glass, Paints,  
Oils and Varnishes. Also  
Hard and Soft Coal and Roofing Slate.

NEW WASHINGTON, OHIO.

Fisher, Samuel, laborer, 1 mi e.  
Flohr, Aaron, farmer, 1 mi s and 1 e.  
Forquer, John, farmer, 1 mi n and  $\frac{1}{2}$  w.  
French, John, farmer, 2 mi e and  $\frac{3}{4}$  n.  
French, D. P., laborer, 2 mi e and  $\frac{3}{4}$  n.  
Fry, J. C., farmer, 3 mi s and 1 e.  
Fry, Ugene, laborer, 3 mi s and 1 e.  
Fry, Elmer, laborer, 3 mi s and 1 e.  
Gabel, John, farmer, 2 mi s and  $1\frac{1}{2}$  e.  
Gangluff, Henry, farmer,  $\frac{3}{4}$  mi n and  $\frac{3}{4}$  w.  
Gossman, Henry, farmer,  $2\frac{1}{2}$  mi s and 3 e, Tiro.  
Gossman, Geo., farmer,  $2\frac{1}{2}$  mi s and  $1\frac{1}{2}$  e.  
Goodman, F., farmer,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  mi s and  $\frac{1}{2}$  e.  
Goodman, J., farmer,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  mi s and  $\frac{1}{2}$  e.  
Guiss, J. H., farmer, 1 mi s and  $\frac{1}{2}$  w.  
Hageman, John, farmer, 3 mi e and 2 s.  
Hageman, Chas., retired, 3 mi e and 2 s.  
Hageman, Henry, farmer, 1 mi s and 1 e.  
Harter, John, farmer,  $\frac{3}{4}$  mi w and 1 n.

- Hatzer, Joseph, farmer,  $2\frac{1}{2}$  mi e and  $\frac{1}{2}$  n.  
Heiler, Wentz, farmer,  $\frac{1}{2}$  mi e.  
Heidinger, Peter, farmer, 3 mi e and 1 n.  
Heidinger, John, farmer,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  mi n.  
Heidinger, S., laborer,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  mi n.  
Heidinger, Frank, laborer,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  mi n.  
Heinmiller, John, farmer,  $\frac{1}{2}$  mi n w.  
Heinmiller, Jacob,  $\frac{1}{2}$  mi n w.  
Heinmiller, Geo., laborer,  $\frac{1}{2}$  mi n w.  
High, Adam, auctioneer,  $\frac{3}{4}$  mi n w.  
High, Jeff, farmer,  $\frac{3}{4}$  mi n w.  
High, John J., farmer, 1 mi w.  
High, Miss Amanda, teacher,  $\frac{3}{4}$  mi n w.  
High, A. F., teacher,  $\frac{1}{2}$  mi n and 1 w.  
Hilborn, Ira, farmer, 3 mi e and  $2\frac{1}{2}$  s, Tiro.  
Holsapple, Albert, farmer, 3 mi e and 2 s.  
Huber, Peter, farmer,  $\frac{3}{4}$  mi w and 1 n.  
Jackson, Thos., sorghum press, 2 mi e and  $\frac{1}{2}$  n.  
Jackson, H. G., laborer, 2 mi e and  $\frac{1}{2}$  n.  
Kahler, Fred, farmer, 1 mi s and  $\frac{1}{2}$  w.  
Kappus, Chas., farmer,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  mi n.  
Kapple, Anthony, farmer,  $\frac{3}{4}$  mi n.  
Kauffman, A., farmer, 3 mi s and 3 e, Tiro.  
Kessler, Gabriel, farmer, 4 mi s and  $\frac{1}{4}$  w, Sulphur Springs.  
Kibler, J. G., farmer,  $\frac{1}{2}$  mi w.  
Kline, N., farmer,  $2\frac{1}{2}$  mi e and 3 s.  
Kline, Geo. M., farmer, 1 mi n and  $\frac{1}{4}$  w.  
Kline, Jacob sr., farmer,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  mi n and  $\frac{3}{4}$  w.  
Kline, Jacob, farmer,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  mi n and  $\frac{3}{4}$  w.  
Kline, Wm., farmer,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  mi n and  $\frac{3}{4}$  w.  
Krafft, Geo., farmer, 3 mi s and  $1\frac{1}{2}$  e.  
Krafft, Isaiah, farmer, 3 mi s and  $1\frac{1}{2}$  e.  
Krebs, Remi, farmer,  $\frac{1}{2}$  mi e.  
Krebs, John, farmer,  $2\frac{1}{2}$  mi s and 1 e.  
Krebs, Andy, laborer.  
Kreim, Joe, retired, 1 mi s and  $\frac{1}{2}$  w.  
Kreim, Frank, farmer, 1 mi s and  $\frac{1}{4}$  w.  
Laux, John, farmer, 1 mi e and  $1\frac{1}{2}$  n.  
Lederer, Jacob, farmer, 1 mi s and  $\frac{3}{4}$  w.



Leonard, Avery, farmer, 2 mi e and  $\frac{1}{2}$  n.  
 Loudon, Abraham, farmer, 1 mi s and 2 e.  
 Ludwig, Solomon, farmer,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  mi e.  
 Lutz, John, farmer, 1 mi w and 2 s.  
 Lyons, Jacob, farmer,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  mi e and 1 n.  
 Lyons, Elijah, farmer,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  mi e.  
 Lyons, Samuel, farmer, 3 mi s and  $1\frac{1}{2}$  e.  
 Lyons, Abner, laborer, 3 mi s and  $1\frac{1}{2}$  e.  
 Marquart, August, farmer, 1 mi n.  
 Marquart, Jeff., farmer, 1 mi n and 1 e.  
 Marquart, Michael, farmer,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  mi n.  
 Marquart, George, farmer,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  mi n.  
 Martin, John, farmer, 2 mi e and  $\frac{3}{4}$  n.  
 Mayer, Conrad, saw mill, 3 mi s and 2 e.  
 McCarthy, John, farmer, 2 mi n and  $\frac{1}{2}$  w.  
 McDougal, Hiram, farmer, 3 mi e and 2 s.  
 McNutt, Abraham, farmer, 4 mi s and  $\frac{1}{2}$  e.  
 McKee, James, retired,  $2\frac{1}{4}$  mi e and 1 s.

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**MEAT MARKET.**

Headquarters for Fresh and Salt Meats, Bologna, Sausage, &c.      Highest price paid for Stock.

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 Mansfield & Monroe }

**J. W. DERR & BRO.**

- McKee, Albert, farmer,  $2\frac{1}{4}$  mi e and 1 s.  
Miller, Fred, farmer, 2 mi s and  $1\frac{1}{2}$  e.  
Morton, Henry, farmer, 2 mi s and  $1\frac{1}{2}$  e.  
Muhr, Wenzil, farmer, 1 mi s and  $\frac{1}{2}$  w.  
Muhr, John, laborer, 1 mi s and  $\frac{1}{2}$  w.  
Myers, Parker, well digger,  $\frac{1}{4}$  mi e.  
Neidermyer, Matt, farmer, 2 mi e and 1 s.  
Neidermyer, A., farmer,  $2\frac{1}{2}$  mi e and 1 s.  
Neidermyer, J., farmer,  $2\frac{1}{2}$  mi e and 1 s.  
Nigh, Reuben, farmer, 2 mi s and  $\frac{1}{4}$  e.  
Nigh, J. H., farmer, 2 mi s and  $\frac{3}{4}$  e.  
Nye, J., farmer, 3 mi s and 3 e, Tiro.  
Nye, Sherman, farmer, 3 mi s and 3 e, Tiro.  
Nye, Albert, breeder of poultry, 3 mi s and 3 e, Tiro.  
Orewiler, John, farmer, 3 mi s.  
Orewiler, Lewis, farmer,  $3\frac{1}{2}$  mi s.  
Orewiler, Henry, farmer, 3 mi s and 1 e.  
Orewiler, George.  
Oswald, Gustav, farmer,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  mi e.  
Partridge, Frank, farmer,  $1\frac{3}{4}$  mi e.  
Partridge, John, farmer,  $1\frac{3}{4}$  mi e.  
Perkey, David, retired, 2 mi e and  $\frac{3}{4}$  n.  
Pfahler, John, farmer,  $2\frac{1}{2}$  mi s and  $1\frac{1}{2}$  e.  
Pfahler, Charles, farmer,  $2\frac{1}{2}$  mi s and 2 e.  
Pfahler, Jefferson, farmer,  $2\frac{1}{2}$  mi s and  $2\frac{1}{2}$  e.  
Plesher, Nicholas, farmer,  $2\frac{1}{4}$  mi e.  
Powers, Vollney, retired, 1 mi e.  
Pugh, Moses, farmer, 2 mi e and 1 n.  
Rapp, Henry, farmer, 1 mi n and  $1\frac{1}{2}$  e.  
Rapp, Lewis, farmer, 1 mi n and  $1\frac{1}{2}$  e.  
Ream, Abraham, farmer, 3 mi s and 1 w.  
Renner, Joseph, farmer,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  mi n and  $1\frac{1}{2}$  w.  
Rinehart, Louis, farmer,  $\frac{1}{2}$  mi w.  
Ritzenthaler, F., farmer,  $2\frac{1}{2}$  mi s and 1 e.  
Robinson, Robert, 2 mi e.  
Robinson, E. D., teacher, 2 mi e.  
Rothrock, Rev. L., 1 mi n and  $2\frac{1}{2}$  e.  
Rothrock, H., laborer, 1 mi n and  $2\frac{1}{2}$  e.  
Runnion, George, farmer, 1 mi e.

**FARMERS'**

# Drug and Wall Paper STORE

North-west corner of Mansfield and Monroe streets,

Is the most extensive Drug Store in general appearance, quantity and quality of goods in the northern part of Crawford county. The entire Stock is new and kept in first class order.

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Consists of Drugs, Chemicals, Dye Stuffs, Patent Medicines, Toilet Articles, Choice Perfumes, Face Powder, Cosmetics, Artist Supplies and Stationery. The most Complete Line of pure tinted

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White Lead, Varnishes, hard Oil Finish, raw and boiled Oils, harvester oil for all kinds of farm machinery, ever kept in New Washington, which gives us the lead in quantity, quality and low prices. Our **WALL PAPER** Department is simply complete in every particular.

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We make a specialty of "Our own" Cholera Balm and challenge its equal in purity and effect. We warrant every bottle. Price only 40 cents for a six ounce bottle.

We take pleasure in showing our goods to any one, whether he makes a purchase or not. Remember the place when in need of any goods in our line.

### THOS. F. KELLER, Prop'r.

Keller's Block.

New Washington, O.

Runnion, Melvin, farmer, 1 mi e.

Runnion, Cal, farmer, 1 mi e.

Schaeffer, J. H., farmer, 2 mi e and  $\frac{3}{4}$  n.

Schancenbach, A., farmer, 2 mi n and  $\frac{1}{2}$  w.

Schancenbach, Wm., farmer, 2 mi n and  $\frac{1}{2}$  w.

Schell, Joseph, M., farmer 2 $\frac{1}{2}$  mi e and 1 s.

Schieffer, Jacob, farmer, 1 mi n w.

Schwemly, William, farmer, 1 mi s and 1 e.

Scott, D. A., farmer, 2 mi e and 1 n.

Scott, Miss Fairy, teacher, 2 mi e and 1 n.

Sechrist, Leonard, farmer, 3 mi s and 1 $\frac{1}{2}$  e.

Sheibley, Albert, farmer, 1 $\frac{1}{2}$  mi e.

Sheibley, Matt, farmer, 1 $\frac{1}{2}$  mi e.

Sheibley, Miss Fannie, teacher, 1 $\frac{1}{2}$  mi e.

Shilpp, Jacob, laborer, 3 $\frac{1}{2}$  mi s and 1 $\frac{1}{2}$  e.

Siefert, Jacob, farmer, 1 mi n and  $\frac{3}{4}$  w.

Smith, Josiah, farmer, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$  mi s and 1 w.

Smith, Miss Lydia, teacher, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$  mi s and 1 w.

Smith, Jno. D., farmer, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$  mi e and 1 n.

Smith, Jacob, farmer, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$  mi e and 1 n.

Smith, Wm., farmer, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$  mi s and  $\frac{1}{2}$  e.

Snaveley, John, veterinary surgeon, 2 mi e and 1 n.

Springer, G. W., retired, 1 mi s and  $\frac{1}{2}$  e.

Springer, G. W. H., farmer, 1 mi s and  $\frac{1}{2}$  e.

Springer, M. M., farmer, 3 mi s and 2 e.

Springer, George, laborer, 3 mi s and 2 e.

Springer, Samuel, farmer, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$  mi s and 1 e.

Stock, Geo., farmer, 3 mi e.

Stocklen, A., farmer, 1 mi s and  $\frac{1}{4}$  w.

Stover, Jacob, retired, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$  mi e and 1 s.

Stewart, A. J., farmer, 4 mi s and  $\frac{1}{2}$  w.

Striker, Daniel, farmer, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$  mi s and  $\frac{1}{2}$  e.

Striker, Jerry, farmer, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$  mi s and  $\frac{1}{2}$  e.

Studer, Wendel, farmer, 1 mi s and  $\frac{1}{2}$  mi w.

Studer, Philip, farmer, 1 mi n and  $\frac{3}{4}$  e.

Stutzman, Aaron, carpenter, 3 mi e.

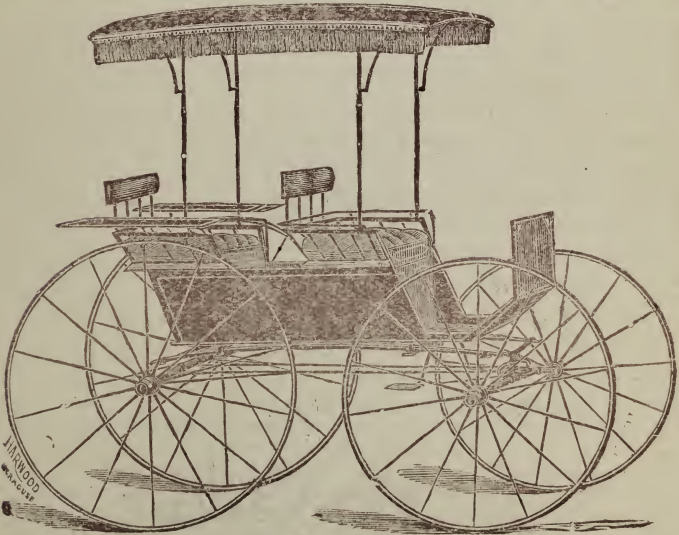
Stutzman, John, laborer, 2 $\frac{1}{4}$  mi s and 1 e.

Stutzman, Israel, farmer, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$  mi s and 1 e.

Swaderer, C., laborer,  $\frac{1}{2}$  mi s and  $\frac{1}{2}$  e.

Tilton, Jno. W., farmer,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  mi n.  
 Tilton, Sherman, farmer,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  mi n.  
 Tobin, Thomas, farmer, 3 mi s and 1 e.  
 Tobin, James, farmer, 3 mi s and 1 e.  
 Tobin, Charles, farmer, 3 mi s and 1 e.  
 Tobin, Wm., farmer 3 mi s and 1 e.  
 Uhl, Jacob, farmer,  $\frac{1}{2}$  mi n and  $\frac{1}{2}$  e.  
 Uhl, Daniel, farmer, 1 mi e and  $1\frac{1}{2}$  n.

# Know Ye, all People



That the best Carriages, Wagons, Spring Wagons, Sleighs, &c.,  
 in the market, are manufactured by me. I employ none  
 but competent workmen. Satisfaction guaranteed.

**General Blacksmithing a Specialty. Repairing neatly  
 done on short notice. Your patronage is solicited.**

New Washington, Ohio.

**CHAS. VOLLMER.**



- Uhl, John, laborer, 1 mi e and  $1\frac{1}{2}$  n.  
 Ulmer, Emanuel, farmer,  $3\frac{1}{2}$  mi s and 1 e.  
 Urich, Charley, farmer, 4 mi s and  $2\frac{1}{2}$  e.  
 Utz, John L.,  $\frac{3}{4}$  mi n and  $\frac{1}{4}$  w.  
 Walter, J. F., farmer, 1 mi n and  $\frac{1}{4}$  e.  
 Walter, John, farmer, 1 mi n and  $\frac{1}{4}$  e.  
 Wechter, Geo., Jr., farmer, 2 mi e and 1 n.  
 Wechter, A., farmer,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  mi n and 1 e.  
 Wechter, Frank, farmer,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  n and 1 e.  
 Wechter, John, laborer,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  n and 1 e.  
 Wechter, Lawrence, farmer,  $2\frac{1}{4}$  mi e.  
 Wechter, David, farmer, 2 mi e and  $\frac{3}{4}$  n.  
 Wechter, George, Sr., farmer, 2 mi e and 1 n.  
 Wechter, Jacob, farmer, 2 mi e and 1 n.  
 Wolfertz, Joe, retired,  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile n.  
 Whietum, Park, plaster,  $\frac{1}{2}$  mi e.  
 Willford, Samuel, farmer,  $2\frac{1}{2}$  mi e.  
 Willford, Daniel, Carpenter,  $2\frac{1}{2}$  e.  
 Willford Jno. R., farmer,  $2\frac{1}{2}$  mi e and  $\frac{1}{2}$  s.  
 Wittel, Nicholas, farmer, 3 mi s and  $1\frac{1}{2}$  e.  
 Wittel, Grant, farmer, 3 mi s and  $1\frac{1}{2}$  e.  
 Wolf, Adam, farmer, 2 mi e and  $1\frac{1}{2}$  n.  
 Wolfertz, Joseph, laborer.  
 Wuest, Mathias, farmer, 2 mi s.  
 Wynn, Isaac, farmer,  $2\frac{1}{4}$  e and 1 s.  
 Young, Barney, farmer,  $2\frac{1}{2}$  mi e and  $\frac{1}{2}$  n.  
 Zabst, Adam, Sr., farmer, 1 mi w.  
 Zabst, Adam, Jr., farmer, 1 mi w.
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## GEO. B. WOLF,

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*MARBLE AND GRANITE,*

NEW WASHINGTON

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## PART II.

# BIOGRAPHICAL

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**ADAM G. LEDERER** (page 12) was born in Cranberry township, Crawford county, Ohio, Dec. 19, 1852. His early life was accustomed to the arduous toil such as farm life affords in pioneer days, his parents having moved to Cranberry at a very early date of its history when nothing but swamps and forests greeted their arrival, and, as a natural consequence, a share of the toil required to clear the forests and till the soil remained to be done by young Adam, who was a very industrious young man. He took advantage of the opportunities of education such as the common schools then afforded and thereby very readily acquired an education which soon proved that Mr. Lederer possessed more than an ordinary intelligence. At the age of 21 he began teaching school and taught 15 successive terms. For twelve successive terms he was employed as teacher in the New Washington school. On the 8th of February 1876 Mr. Lederer embarked in the matrimonial enterprise with Miss Ella A. Hartuppee, of Mansfield, as a partner. This union was blessed with four children—all girls—of whom Ora and Stella are yet living. In 1883 he entered the livery at New Washington and for three years carried it on extensively when he sold it and moved on a farm 2 miles north-east of New Washington where he stayed for three years giving his attention principally to stock. His exhibition of pure bred stock at fairs and stock shows was a serious impediment in the way for his competitors as he almost invariably carried off the prize. In 1888 he again moved to New Washington and entered into the grocery and livery business. His grocery store is one of the most extensive in the city and a thriving business is the result. Considering that Mr. Lederer is yet a comparatively young man his possibilities in the future are very flattering. As a politician he is very quiet but is an adherent of the Democratic faith. He is a sober, industrious and an intelligent citizen.

**FRANK J. MILLER** (page 12) is a native of Cranberry township, Crawford county, Ohio, and was born on March 17, 1860, and is the youngest son of Paulus and Margaret Miller. His father being a farmer young Frank early became acquainted with hard toil although his stay on the farm was remarkable short. At the age of fifteen his parents moved to New Washington. Frank received a common school education through hard and earnest work during the winter season. Shortly after arriving at New Washington Mr. Miller began an apprenticeship at the carpenter trade which he successfully followed until December 1887, when he accepted a position as clerk in the hardware store of J. M. Guiss & Co., which he yet retains. Mr. Miller was married to Rosa Faeth on July 4, 1882. The union was blessed with three children, Cornelius A., Alvis B., and Martha C., all living. Through untiring work and an economic saving of his earnings he managed to make an honest living and build for himself the handsome dwelling which he now occupies. Mr. Miller is a good, sober and loyal citizen, and politically is of Democratic faith. Considering that he is yet far below the middle aged man a promising future is before him, which his industry, frugality and sobriety are bound to win for him.

**ABRAHAM RICHNER** (page 14) is a native of Juniata county, Pa., was born on May 10, 1854 and is the youngest son of John and Hannah Richner. His parents were farmers and as a natural consequence young Richner's early life was such as is common to farm life. He received a good common school education—considering the few advantages which the schools then furnished. At the age of fifteen Mr. Richner was left parentless both dying within a year. After the death of his parents the farm was abandoned and Mr. Richner came to Ohio on March 1, 1871 and on the 10th of the following August he located at New Washington, where he engaged in various pursuits. A few years later he purchased a dray and for 11 years carried on a profitable business. On March 1, 1874, he was married to Miss Louisa E. Guiss. This union was blessed with four children, of whom Emma Matilda, Manettie and Loyd Ellsworth are yet living. On November 1, 1886, Mr. Richner entered the boot & shoe business at the place which he now occupies. He realized a handsome trade notwithstanding the fact that on January 4, 1888, his building and a large portion of the stock of goods was destroyed by fire. He being an energetic business man, the building was soon rebuilt and stocked with new goods. Mr. Richner is now serving his second term as councilman, of New Washington and his second term as treasurer of Cranberry township. His character and reputation command the respect of all. He is a sober, industrious and enterprising business man. He is a Democrat.

**ISAAC HOSLER** (page 11) is a native of Seneca county, Ohio, was born on May 11, 1840 and is a son of Jonas and Catha-



rine Hosler. Being born and reared on a farm and at a date when farm life was attended by a great many difficulties, Isaac's early days were initiated with laborious toil. In those days the advantages of education were very limited, especially for those who were without means, and the only advantages of education which young Hosler realized were those afforded by the common school. At the age of 21 Isaac and his brother, Peter, assumed the management of the farm for three years. At the expiration of the first year the War had begun and Peter enlisted in the army leaving Isaac to seek another partner on the farm, whom he soon found and who, at the expiration of another year, also went into the army, leaving the entire management of the farm in Isaac's hands. In the Spring of 1863 Mr. Hosler went to Bucyrus where he followed various pursuits for a livelihood until harvest when he returned to the farm to take care of the crops which he had sown the preceding Autumn. Like most young men, Mr. Hosler was bent on taking a tour through the West and accordingly, with several others, left for California in the Spring of '64, making the trip overland requiring about three months. A stay of of 18 months satisfied his ambition so far as the West was concerned, and left San Francisco on the 13th of November, 1865, via the Keystone Boat Line, passing through Central America, thence to New York and to his parents who then resided in the vicinity of New Washington, making the trip home in one month. In the Spring of 1866 Mr. Hosler again went to Bucyrus

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and accepted a position in a wool mill where he remained until 1872. On February 24, 1867, he married Miss Teraca Ruch. In 1872 they moved to New Washington where he has followed the vocation of a tinner ever since. Mr. Hosler is an influential citizen, having at various times held the offices of constable, marshal and is now serving his second term as councilman. He is a member of I. O. O. F. and is a Democrat.

**FREDERICK WILHELM SCHMIDT** (page 14) is a native, Hesse Cassel, Germany, and was born April 16, 1836. His father having been a tailor young Schmidt naturally followed the vocation of his father and his skill soon won for him plenty of work at remunerative wages. Frederick received a good common school education in Germany which proved a valuable acquisition for him in later years. At the age of 21 Frederick made arrangements to emigrate to America and accordingly on the 27th day of October 1857 he bid farewell to Germany and boarded the Louisiana enroute for New York where he arrived on the 4th day of December 1857. After arriving at New York he immediately went to Homestead, Pa., where he remained for thirteen years, realizing a handsome income from his trade. At that place he was married to Miss Margaret Neuman, on May 22, 1859. This union resulted in the birth of six children—John, born on the 17th day of February, 1860; Hannah, born May 4, 1862; died, March 26, 1886; Lena born, February 21, 1864; Joseph, born June 24, 1867; George, born December 20, 1869; Anna Mary, born March 22, 1872, who is a native of New York state, Mr. Schmidt and family having moved to that state on August 18, 1870, and remained there for six years when he moved to Loudonville, Ohio, thence Green Springs, Celina, Monroeville, where Lena was married to Patrick E. Kenney, Att'y-at-Law on December 29, 1885, the newly married couple made their home in Celina. From Monroeville the family moved to Yellow Springs where John was married to Lizzie Abbey. On September 14, 1888, Mr. Schmidt and family moved to New Washington where he is proprietor of the only clothing store in the village and does a thriving business. Mrs. Margaret Schmidt was born June 24, 1836 at Beuern, Prussia, and came to Homestead in May 1857. Mr. Schmidt is a shrewd man, a good citizen and always was a Democrat politically. His family commands the respect of all who come in social contact.

**JACOB FREDERICK ASCHBACHER** (page 9) was born in Horkheim, O. A. Heilbronn, Wurtemberg, Germany, on January 14, 1839, is the son of Geo. F. and Hannah Aschbacher. His parents immigrated to this country in 1847 when young Fred was but eight years of age. After arriving in this country young Aschbacher's parents moved to Philadelphia, Pa., where they remained about two years after which they resided in the vicinity of Philadelphia for about two years longer when they came to

Wayne county, Ohio, where they remained one year. They then resided in Ashland county for two years after which they moved to New Washington, Crawford county, Ohio, on March 6, 1854. The first year after his arrival in this county young Fred was employed at Bucyrus, after which he began an apprenticeship at the carpenter trade for about two years and a half when he and his brother William began business for themselves as carpenters and for eleven years were the leading carpenters in their section of the county. In 1861 they purchased a saw mill at Richville which was largely patronized. In 1865 they purchased a stock of goods, and in connection with their saw-mill, kept a general store, until 1872 when they came to New Washington and entered the Dry Goods and grocery business on an extensive scale at the place which they occupy at the present. In October of 1865 Mr. Aschbacher was married to Miss Mary Klink who is native of Chatfield township, and was born in 1844. This union was blessed with ten children of whom six are yet living—Emma, Katie, George, Menettie, Edward and Albert. Mr. Aschbacher is one of the leading and influential men of his community, having served three terms as councilman of New Washington and is now serving his second term as a member of the Board of Education of the New Washington special school district. He is a prominent member of the German Lutheran church. Politically he is a Democrat. His just dealing with his fellow men has won for him the good will of all.

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**WILLIAM ASCHBACHER** (page 9) is a native of Horkheim, O. A. Heilbronn, Wurtemberg, Germany, is the oldest son of Geo. F. and Hannah Aschbacher, and was born on Feb. 1, 1836. As will be noticed in the biography of his brother, Jacob Frederick, his parents came to this country in 1847. He remained with his parents until they came to New Washington. At Philadelphia, Pa., William was employed in a store, and, although but a boy, his experience in the store proved valuable to him in later years. Shortly after arriving at New Washington he and his brother, Fred, formed a partnership as carpenters, an account of which is given in the latter's biography. During his stay in Chatfield township he served as township treasurer for 6 years and the same number of years as trustee. He, also, was postmaster at Chatfield for three years under Lincoln's Administration. On the 9th of April, 1861, he was married to Miss Christiana K. Utz, who is a native of Germany and was 7 years of age when she came to America. This union was blessed with seven children, of whom four yet survive—William, Jr., Caroline, Louisa and Adolph. Arriving at New Washington in 1872 the people of that village at once recognized his honesty and he was soon called to fill various positions of trust. He served three terms as councilman, two terms as a member of the board of education three terms as corporation treasurer and was Chief of the fire department for two years. He is a prominent member of the German Lutheran church, having filled various official positions including organist in the capacity of which he served for twenty years. A good citizen, a good neighbor, an honest man, is the verdict of everybody who had dealings with him. He is a Democrat.

**JOHN WILLIAM DERR** (page 10) is the oldest son of John William Sr. and Barbara Derr and was born on August 16, 1861 and is a native of New Washington, Crawford county, O. On August 3, 1864, his father departed this life, leaving J. W. and his younger brother, Frank, to the sole care of their mother, who through good management provided for the wants of her children and gave special attention to their early training. Six years after the death of her husband, Mrs. Derr was again married to L. J. Kimerline, who was a butcher by trade and, as a natural consequence, a large share of the work accompanying the butcher business, remained for William to do. So exacting was the work that very little spare time was left for him to profit by the advantages of education which were then offered. However through untiring diligence he managed to obtain a common school education, and being under the tutorship of a butcher, he at the same time learned a trade which he successfully followed in later years. In the Spring of 1885 J. W. took a commercial course at Ada, O., and completed it creditably. In the Autumn of the same year he and his brother, Frank, formed a partnership and leased the butcher shop and outfit of their step-father



and began doing business at once. Their business increased in such proportions that necessitated their removal to a more convenient location which was accomplished in the Spring of 1889 by remodeling their building on the south-east corner of Mansfield & Monroe streets and furnishing it with all the modern appliances of a first class meat market. J. W. possesses rare business qualifications which will insure for him a successful business career. He is identified with the Democracy.

**JOHN R. MILLER** (page 13) is a native of Cranberry township, Crawford county, Ohio, is the oldest son of George and Maggie Miller and was born on January 19, 1862. His parents lived on a farm near New Washington and the early years of John's life were such as are characteristic of a farmer's boy. A large share of the work on the farm remained for John to do although quite young. When he was twelve years of age his parents moved to New Washington and became proprietors of the Washington House, the management of which largely devolved upon young J. R., who always discharged his duties with satisfaction to everybody. He early showed a desire to develop his faculty of learning and gave much attention to his books and was an especially industrious pupil at school. So well were his duties in the school room discharged that in the Spring of 1883 he completed the prescribed course of the New Washington High School, being a member of the first graduating class of said

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school. This course did not satisfy his desire for intellectual development, as he afterwards entered and creditably completed a business course at the Spencerian Business College at Cleveland, Ohio. On December 21, 1884, he, in partnership with his father, opened a grocery and provision store in the room which they occupy at present. The management of the large and increasing business remained entirely for John to do, and the manner in which it was done goes to prove that he possesses more than ordinary business capabilities. He is now serving his second term as treasurer of New Washington. He is a Democrat.

**FRANK DERR** (page 10) is a native of New Washington, Crawford county, Ohio, was born in 1863 and is a son of John William, Sr., and Barbara Derr. When he was a little over a year of age he was left to the care of his mother, his father departing this life while Frank was at this tender age. After the marriage of his mother to L. J. Kimerline he, like his brother, William, was initiated to the customary work of a butcher's life and became familiar with the business. At the age of 16 Frank was determined to try the realities of farm life by working on a farm near Bloomville for one year. In the Spring of 1881 he accepted a position as clerk in the hardware store then owned by W. H. Donnenwirth in New Washington, which position he resigned, after more than two years service, that he might give more attention to his intellectual development, and attended school with more regularity than he formerly was able to do. In the Spring of 1884 he attended a term of school at the Normal University at Ada, Ohio, and in September of the same year he entered the senior class of the New Washington High School, completing the course the following June. In the Autumn of 1885 he formed a partnership with his brother, William, an account of which is given in the latter's biography. The following Winter he taught school in the vicinity of New Washington, and so highly were his services appreciated that he was at once re-engaged for the following winter term. After his second term of school as instructor he abandoned teaching as the large and increasing business of the firm of which he was a member, demanded his attention. Frank is one of those young men for whom no toil is too arduous, no task too great and no accomplishment an impossibility. He is a Democrat.

**JOHN MICHELFELDER, Jr.,** (page 12) is a native of New Washington, Crawford county, Ohio, was born on September 6, 1847 and is the oldest son of John, Sr., and Frederica Michelfelder. The first fourteen years of John's life were passed on the farm when farming was attended by difficulties which no longer exist in this vicinity. His father being a shoemaker by trade induced John to begin an apprenticeship at the bench at the age of fourteen. His chances for education were limited as in early life he could only attend school in the winter season



and after he was fourteen years of age the work depending on him prevented him from attending school at all. He worked with his father until he became of age. After that he engaged his services to his father for two years at the expiration of which he formed a partnership with his father in the boot and shoe business. In 1873 the firm was dissolved by mutual consent, John setting up in business for himself in the building which he now occupies and carried on an extensive business until 1881 when he formed a partnership with his brother, Jacob, which still exists. On December 1, 1870, he was married to Miss Matilda High. In 1883 he built the dwelling at the north end of Franklin street which is acknowledged to be the finest appearing property in the city. Mr. Michelfelder is an influential citizen, which is the result of honest dealing with his fellow men. He has been called to fill various positions of honor and trust among which are the following: township treasurer, three terms; Justice of the Peace, one term; deputy county treasurer, 11 years; councilman, two terms and is now serving his second term as member of the board of education. Mr. Michelfelder is a prominent member of the German Lutheran church, and during his connection with that church has nearly always served in some official capacity. He is a good specimen of the self made man. He occasionally takes a prominent part in politics and is always found on the Democratic side.

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**JACOB MICHELFELDER** (page 12) is a son of John Sr., and Frederica Michelfelder, a native of Cranberry township, Crawford county, Ohio, and was born on January 14, 1858. His early moral training received considerable attention attending catechetical exercises. He also attended the common schools with considerable regularity until he became thirteen years of age when he began an apprenticeship at the shoemaker trade under the tutorship of his father who was a shoemaker by trade. He worked at this trade with his father until he became 23 years of age when his father retired from the boot and shoe business. Jacob took his place and in 1881 formed a partnership with his brother, John, Jr., which firm yet exists and is doing a thriving business. On March 8, 1881, Mr. Michelfelder launched into matrimonial life and married Miss Caroline Orlinda Kline, who is a daughter of George C., and Margaret Kline. This union was made happy by the birth of a son, Franklin Glendore, who was born on February 22, 1882. Mr. Michelfelder is a good business man and through honest toil and an economic outlay of his earnings he has managed to secure sufficient means which will insure for him a comfortable living in the future. Mr. Michelfelder is an influential citizen of his township and for three terms creditably served the people of Cranberry township as treasurer. He is a member of the German Lutheran church. Considering that he is yet a comparatively young man a promising future is before him. Politically he adheres to the Democratic faith.

**JOHN SIEFERT** (page 15) is a son of Michael and Christina Siefert. was born on July 26, 1866, and is a native of Cranberry township, Crawford county, Ohio. The first fifteen years of John's life were passed on a farm in the vicinity of New Washington, his father then following farming for a livelihood. farm life always is a good stimulant for the development of youths to be industrious, and John having been reared on a farm very naturally learned the utility and necessity of earnest toil. In his early years considerable attention was paid to his moral training having entered and completed a course of catechetical instruction of the German Lutheran church. He also attended common school with considerable regularity thereby acquiring a practical education which fitted him for the future transaction of business. At the age of about 15 his parents moved to New Washington and having purchased the grain elevator in 1879 John's service were required at that place for some time. In November of 1884 he accepted a position in Ailer's Drug Store where he remained for a year giving good satisfaction. In the spring of 1886 Mr. Siefert accepted a clerkship in the Dry Goods Store of J. Sheetz & Bro., a position which he held for nearly three years, proving himself an obliging and trustworthy young man. In January of 1889 he entered a short business course in the Spencerian Business college at Cleveland preparatory for

entering upon an active business career. In May of the same year he and his brother, George, formed a partnership and leased the grain elevator of their father, and have since been doing a thriving business. John is a worthy young man and commands the respect of all who know him.

**J. T MARTIN** (page 12) is a native of Thompson township, Seneca county, Ohio, is a son of Anthony and Margaret Martin and was born on July 1, 1855. His father was born and raised on the farm on which John was born and as a natural consequence John's early life was such as is characteristic of farm life. His advantages of education were those furnished by the common schools which necessarily are very limited. In 1874 Mr. Martin at the age of 19 suffered the loss of his father, and the management of the farm devolved upon John, who for two years carried on the affairs of the farm, after which it was sold at administrator's sale. After the sale of the farm, Mr. Martin worked at various places by the day and in 1881 he was employed by a party who resided in the vicinity of New Washington. In 1882 Mr. Martin purchased the property on the south west corner of Mansfield and Kibler street in New Washington and started a saloon and restaurant. He has carried on a thriving business ever since. On October 2, 1882 Mr. Martin was married to Miss Lizzie Hepp, daughter of George, a prominent farmer near New Washington. This union resulted in the birth of five children—Joseph, deceased, Rosa, Anna, Harry C. and Carrie—; the two last named being twins. Mr. Martin's mother is yet living and was for a number of years a resident of New Washington, but of late years has been staying with her son-in-law, J. M. Cluney, at Toledo. Mr. Martin is a man of considerable influence in local politics and takes an active interest in the same. His political influence, of course, was always wielded in favor of Democracy. All who know him speak of him as a whole souled, good natured and an obliging citizen.

**MICHAEL SIEFERT** (page 15) is a native of Stark county, Ohio, is a son of John and Salome Siefert and was born in 1830. His parents were natives of Germany and emigrated to the United States in 1828. In 1834 his parents moved to Cranberry township, Crawford county, Ohio, which at that time was yet a wilderness. They settled on a farm and began clearing away the forests in earnest and Michael being the oldest son very naturally shared the hardships of his father in this laborious task. On the 29th of January, 1859 he was united in marriage with Miss Christina Hoffses, and by her had a family of fourteen children—Jacob, Michael (dead), John (dead), George, Caroline, Annie, Frederick (dead), William, Michael, (dead), John, Andrew (dead), Clara, Emma and Frederick. Mr. Siefert continued farming for some time. In 1864 he went into the stock business and followed that in connection with farming until February

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14, 1879. He then purchased the grain elevator at New Washington, of Charles Bros., and has been dealing in grain at that point until a few years ago when he sold the elevator to his son George, who with his brother John, is doing business at the old stand. Mr. Siefert is a public spirited citizen and takes a deep interest in the welfare of the community in which he resides. He is a member of the Cranberry I. O. O. F. Lodge No. 441, and politically he is a Republican. Besides being the owner of several lots in New Washington, Mr. Siefert owns 208 acres of excellent farming land in Cranberry township, and is an honest and up-right man in his dealings with his fellow men.

**GEORGE SIEFERT** (page 15) is a native of Cranberry township, Crawford county, Ohio, is a son of Michael and Christina Siefert and was born on July 11, 1862. George was reared on a farm near New Washington, and as a matter of fact is thoroughly acquainted with the nature of the work which is required of a farmer's boy. The superfluous work on the farm rendered it possible for George to attend the county school only, but through energetic efforts and strict attention to his books he soon acquired a skill in the art of learning which was envied by his fellow schoolmates. Not satisfied with the advantages of education afforded by the common school, he was determined to acquire higher attainments in the realms of knowledge and accor-



dingly attended the New Washington High School for one year and two terms, of twenty weeks each, at the North Western Ohio Normal School at Ada. Thus having equipped himself with a good practical education, he was prepared to enter upon an active business career. In the meanwhile his father moved to New Washington and became proprietor of the Grain elevator. The management of this extensive business remained almost entirely for George to do, and the manner in which the business was carried on proved that Mr. Siefert possessed more than ordinary business capabilities. In 1887 George purchased the Ware House of his father and for nearly two years carried on an extensive trade. The work, however, was too exacting for one man and he again made a transfer of the property to his father. Shortly after that he and his brother, John, formed a partnership and rented the Ware House and are at present doing a thriving business. Mr. Siefert was married to Miss Sarah A. Sutter on September 27, 1883, which union resulted in the birth of two children—Orlando Richard and Sylvester Claudius, both living. Mr. Siefert is one of the most prominent young men of New Washington, has advanced ideas of business and is a good and exemplary citizen. Few men of his age possess a better business tact. In politics he is known as a Democrat.

**CHARLES VOLLMER** (page 16) is a native of O. A. Marbach, Wurtemberg, Germany, is a son of John and Dora Vollmer and was born on March 13, 1852. In early life Charles took advantage of the opportunities for education, such as the German government afforded. At the age of 15 Charles began to work at the blacksmith trade, at which he remained for about 18 months when he and his brother, Fred, bade farewell to fatherland and came to America in May of 1868. They came direct to New Washington where Charles remained for six months after which he was at Bellevue for a short time then at Sandusky for six months. In 1870 Mr. Vollmer moved to Lansing, Mich., where he followed blacksmithing for a living, being in various manufacturing establishments. On October 1, 1872, Mr. Vollmer was married to Miss Dora Paul, of Bridgewater, Mich., who died on January 31, 1872, of consumption. On the following June 3, he married Miss Kate Roller, of Lansing, who died on June 5, 1877. This union resulted in the birth of two children—Charles Frederick and Charles Michael Benjamin, both living. In September of 1878, while on a visit to New Washington, he married Miss Elizabeth Walter. This union was blessed with five children—William Lewis, Dora Kate, deceased, Rosa Bertha; Charles George and John Theodore. In 1881 Mr. Vollmer and family again moved to New Washington where he set up a blacksmith shop for himself and has been sole proprietor ever since except from October 25, 1882, to December 28, 1885, when he was in partnership with L. C. Donnenwirth. He receives a

large patronage and the work turned out by him cannot be excelled by any of his competitors in the county. He employs from three to six workmen the year round. Mr. Vollmer has served the people of Cranberry township in the capacity of constable for three terms. He has been marshal of New Washington for two terms and is at present a member of the Village council. Mr. Vollmer takes a deep interest in the education of his children, is a good neighbor and a true citizen. In local politics he is a prominent factor and wields considerable influence. He has been a lifelong Democrat.

**CHARLES MAHON** (page 12) is a native of Weller township, Richland county, is a son of John and Margaret Mahon, and was born on July 24, 1842. Charles' parents followed farming for a living and when he grew up in years he found that there was plenty of work for him to do. His school advantages were very few and only those afforded by the common schools. Always having a long distance to go to school he, in early years found it impossible to attend regularly. Notwithstanding these advantages he managed to obtain a good common school education. In 1857 his parents sold the old farm on "Chestnut Hill" as it was called and with their family moved to Cranberry township, Crawford county, where they have since resided. Charles followed farming until March 28, 1884, when he purchased an interest in the planing mill at New Washington, with Anthony Herman as a partner. This firm has carried on a very extensive business ever since. In 1864 Mr. Mahon was married to Miss Anna Maria Shilling who was born on July 26, 1840. This union resulted in the birth of four children—David Elmer, deceased, John Ira, Marinda Myrtle, and Lettie Fay. Mr. Mahon takes a deep interest in the education of his children and from all appearances his constant care and attention will not prove in vain. Before Mr. Mahon moved to New Washington he served the people of Cranberry township in the capacity of Trustee for three or four terms. Since his residence in New Washington he has been twice elected a member of the Board of Education and has for three years served that organization in the capacity of clerk. He is one of the founders of the M. E. church at New Washington and since its organization always filled some official position. He also is a prominent member of the I. O. O. F. Cranberry Lodge No. 441. His industry, honesty and piety, is what makes him respected by everybody. He has always been a Democrat.

**JACOB F. AILER** (page 9) is a native of Chatfield township, Crawford county, Ohio, was born in 1840 and is a son of Frederick and Cathrine Ailer. While yet a babe Mr. Ailer suffered the loss of his mother and consequently did not receive that maternal training which is so important in early life. His early life was passed on the farm, attending the common school



with considerable regularity. So well did he attend to his duties as a pupil at school that at the age of 17 he was licensed to teach by the county authorities and taught seven successive terms of school giving good satisfaction. He attended the Academy at Hayesville for a short time. On October 3, 1867 he was married to Miss Elsie E. Rang. This union resulted in the birth of five children Franklin J. (dead) William H., Alpha O., Pearl O., (dead), and May Idell. In 1860 he received the appointment as postmaster for New Washington being in Johnson's administration. He held this position until September 1, 1885—a period of 19 years. He proved himself an obliging and competent official. In 1870 Mr. Ailer entered the drug business at the stand which he occupies at present carrying on an extensive business ever since. Mr. Ailer is a man of more than a mere ordinary intelligence, having always been identified with the most important interests in which the welfare of the town was involved. Notwithstanding that the political complexion of New Washington is intensely Democratic, Mr. Ailer, who is a republican, was recently unanimously chosen as a member of the school board, which shows that the people acknowledge his honesty and ability. He is a leading member of Cranberry I. O. O. F. Lodge No. 441, and has been a consistent member of that organization for 20 years. Mrs. Ailer and himself are consistent members of the English Lutheran church. Through fair dealing and a strict regard for the welfare of the community he has won for himself an enviable reputation.

**JOHN BARNET MILLER** (page 13) is a son of Paul and Margaret Miller and was born on February 26, 1857 in Cranberry township, Crawford county, Ohio. His parents were farmers and Barnett's first years were spent on the farm where he early was initiated to the work which is common to farm life. He attended common school in the winter season when his services could be spared on the farm. He assisted in the management of the farm until he became eighteen years of age when he abandoned the farm and began to work at the carpenter trade with a view of following that trade for a livelihood. So well has he mastered his trade that he experiences no difficulty in securing plenty of work. In 1876 he worked at his trade in Delphos, Ohio, and in Defiance county for a short time. In November of 1877 he was united in marriage with Miss Louisa Karm. This union was blessed with four children of whom three are yet living—Maggie, born on July 20, 1878; Calistina, born on June 27, 1882; Bertha, born on March 4, 1886. Immediately after his marriage Mr. Miller moved to New Washington where he has since resided and through dilligent work and an economic outlay of his earnings he managed to accumulate sufficient means which secures him a comfortable home. He has the good will of his fellow men which is the result of fair and honest dealing with them. He is a member of St. Bernard's catholic church and has

always been a democrat. Mrs. Miller is a native of the state of New York. Her parents are natives of the Old World. Her father was a Frenchman.

**MARTIN MATHERN** (errata) is a native of Sigen, Saltz-Ellsase, Germany, is a son of Jacob and Margaret Mathern and was born on April 3, 1850. The portion of country where Mr. Mathern was born at that time was a part of the French domain. The custom then was to send children to school as soon as they became three years of age, and were compelled to learn both the French and German languages. Young Mathern attended school until he was fourteen years of age, working on the farm when he was not at school. At the age of fifteen he abandoned farming and began an apprenticeship at the cabinet maker trade at which he worked for six years, during a portion of which time he worked at various places in Switzerland and France. After he abandoned cabinet making he began working in a bakery as an apprentice for 3 months. At the close of the war between France and Germany Mr. Mathern bade farewell to the old country and came to America, arriving at New York on September 16, 1872. Leaving New York he went to Sandusky City, Bellevue and Norwalk respectively visiting acquaintances. At the latter place he went into the bakery business and followed that vocation for a short time at that place and at Buffalo, Monroeville and Chicago Junction. On February

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24, 1876, Mr. Mathern was married to Miss Catharine Rubeck who departed this life on August 5, 1886. This union resulted in the birth of four children of whom two are yet living—Josephine and Lawrence. He resided for a short time at Bloomville and Bellevue, after which he moved to Richwood, Ohio, where he run a bakery for eight years. He came to New Washington in March of 1884. On Nov. 2, 1885 he moved to Tiro, Ohio, where he opened a bakery which he sold and moved back to New Washington and opened a bakery on August 5, 1889 and is doing business on an extensive scale. He is a good citizen, is a member of the Catholic church and always was a Democrat.

**JOHN DONNENWIRTH** (page 10) is a son of George and Sophia Donnenwirth, is a native of New Washington, Crawford county, Ohio, and was born on January 14, 1848. His father having been elected County treasurer, he and his family moved to Bucyrus in 1856, John being 8 years of age. This afforded a grand opportunity for John's schooling as the advantages of a school in a city far excel those in the country, and the result was that he acquired a good practical business education. In 1863 he began to work at the tinner trade at Columbus where he remained for 1½ years, after which he went to Delaware completing his trade at that place in a year. He followed his trade at Millersburg and Bucyrus, staying a year at each place. In 1868 he engaged his service to the Bucyrus brewery, running a delivery wagon. The next year he followed his trade at New Washington where he was united in marriage with Miss Malinda Hosler on February 15, 1870. This union resulted in the birth of nine children—Leonora E. (dead), Arthur F., Gertrude C. (dead), Clarence Frederic, Mamie Sophia, Millie May, George Merle and Adam Earl (twins), and Edith M. In the Spring of 1870 he again moved to Bucyrus where he remained two years, working at tinning the first year and running a delivery wagon for the brewery the second. In 1872 he moved back to New Washington and, in partnership with Isaac Hosler, opened a tin shop and stove store. An extensive business was carried on until the sale of their goods and tinner's tools to W. H. Donnenwirth. John remained with W. H. while he was in business and after he sold his store to J. M. Guiss & Co., John remained with the new firm until September 1885. The election of Grover Cleveland to the Presidency in 1884 insured for New Washington a Democratic postmaster. Mr. Donnenwirth captured the prize—receiving the appointment on August 6, 1885, and taking possession of the office on the 31st of the same month. He held this office until May 15, 1889, discharging the duties of this office faithfully and creditably. In the Summer of 1889, Mr. Donnenwirth opened a saloon and pursues that occupation at present for a livelihood. Mr. Donnenwirth has served the people of New Washington in the capacity of councilman for two terms,

and was the first chief of the fire Department of that Village. At present he is serving the people of Cranberry township as clerk. He takes a deep interest in the education of his children and is proud of his family. He is a member of the German Lutheran church, has always been a Democrat which, he says, means a good citizen.

**OTTERBEIN FREDERIC LAUGHBAUM (page 12)**

was born, in a rude cabin, on the banks of a small stream at Olentangy, Crawford county, Ohio, January 31, 1858. His father Henry Laughbaum, was engaged in running a saw-mill, and though poor at the time, took much interest in the education of his children. In a district school at this place, the subject of our sketch commenced the alphabet of his education. Here, too he fell into the stream twice, and nearly lost his life by drowning. At the close of the Rebellion, his parents moved on a farm in Polk township, three miles north-west of Galion, where his early school days were spent in connection with the farm work. After attending common school a number of years, he entered the S. N. C., a Normal school controlled by the U. B. church, and very creditably completed its entire course of three years. Knowing that men are self-made, and that the college does not give an education, but an opportunity to get it; and that money from any other source than his own earning would not make a man of him: he perseveringly worked his way through school, by alternating teaching and attending school. After completing the above Normal course, he entered Fostoria Academy, an institution at that time under the control of the U. B. church, and presided over by the Rev. W. F. Jackson, A. M., Ph. D. He remained in this institution two years, taking the Latin course. He then entered the Roanoke Classical Seminary as a member of the Faculty and student at the same time. Here he taught some of the sciences and mathematics, and completed the Classical course of the Seminary. This institution was presided over by the Rev. M. DeWitt Long, A. M., B. D. Mr. Laughbaum first taught school in Whetstone township, this county, District No. 9, two years. He next engaged the Windfall school, district No. 4, Jefferson township, where he taught four years. In the spring of 1882 he was elected Principal of the New Washington High School, which position he has occupied ever since. While teaching in the High school he has advanced his education, by privately studying and completing the Chautauqua Literary Course, which puts into his possession three Diplomas. He, also, holds a certificate in his county valid for five years. He says, the event above all others that has made his life a happy and successful one, was his marriage to Miss Kitty F. Fast, of Roanoke, Indiana. He visited the Seminary to obtain an education, and succeeded, also, in securing a more valuable prize than knowledge, i. e.—a good wife. He possesses a fine library, and delights in reading and writing;



having written quite a number of articles on Moral and Religious subjects for publication in Religious papers, under some *Nom de plume*. He is Editor, of "Home College and Commerce," published at Columbus, Ohio, for Crawford county. Mr. Laughbaum has a determination about him that will carry him through any work he undertakes, and he has a strong hatred for that which is wrong in whatever form it may appear. He abhors immorality, his habits are enviable, and he possesses a christian character worthy of imitation. He is a strict temperance man, and believes in educating the young and rapidly rising generation properly in temperance principles. Mr. and Mrs. Laughbaum are members of the M. E. church. They are great lovers of home, where they may be found when duty does not call them elsewhere. If other young men would thus economize their time, practice temperance principles, avoid the use of tobacco &c., they might be the possessors of more means, as well as, of more knowledge, wisdom, and happiness.

**VOLLNEY POWERS** (page 24) is a native of Tompkins township, Adams county, N. Y. is a son of Lemiel and Jane S. Powers, and was born in 1814. In 1818 Mr. Powers' parents moved to New Haven, Huron county, Ohio, where his father purchased a farm. He however practiced medicine and rented his farm. This gave young Vollney an opportunity to attend school. His father remained at New Haven until 1826 when he and his family moved to Plymouth and purchased the land on which the east side of Plymouth now stands. He laid out lots and was practically the founder of that city. He entered the Drug business and young Vollney assisted him in this enterprise and attended school as time would permit. Vollney seemed anxious to learn a trade of some kind and his father set up a shop where Vollney became an apprentice at the latter trade. He worked at this trade for twelve years proving himself quite an adept at the business. In 1837 he was married to Miss Mary A. Ream, who departed this life in 1871. This union was blessed with fourteen children of whom but five are living—Elizabeth, Jane, Amanda, James and Rolley. In 1844 he moved to New Washington and engaged in the mercantile business and carried on quite an extensive trade. During his stay at New Washington he was also proprietor of an extensive ashery which was of vast importance in those days. In 1850 he disposed of his stock of goods and ashery in New Washington and bought some land in Cranberry township. He however moved to Centerville where he purchased an interest in a saw mill and for  $3\frac{1}{2}$  years done an immense business at the mill furnishing lumber for the B. & O. R. R. which was then undergoing construction. In 1854 he moved back to Cranberry township and purchased the farm on which he resides at present. In 1874 he was married to Mrs. Margaret Runion who yet survives. Mr. and Mrs. Powers are both members of the M. E. church. He

has been a good citizen all these years which endears him to his fellow men. Politically Mr. Powers, originally was a whig but at the birth of the Republican party he joined its ranks and has been of that faith ever since.

**HENRY HAGEMAN** (page 21) is a native of Cranberry township, Crawford county, Ohio, was born on March 13, 1848 and is a son of Chas. and Catharine Hageman. His early life was that of a farmer's boy which in those days was no very pleasant lot. He stayed with his parents until he became 25 years of age when he purchased a forty-acre farm and began farming for himself, and done threshing for 16 years in connection. While quite young he attended the common school, but the work on the farm demanded his attention after he grew older. On December 25, 1873 he married Miss Martha A. Garberich, who is a native of Galion, Ohio. She was a teacher by occupation and taught 10 successful terms in succession. This union was blessed with five children—Gertie Pearl, William Melroy, Maudie Ellen, Howard Garberich and Eva Ione—all living. Mr. Hageman has been prominently connected with the school affairs of his district. Mr. Hageman is a consistent member of the M. E. church at Goodwill and is now serving as trustee and class leader. The family was several times stricken with malignant diseases but in every case they came out as conquerors. He is respected by his fellow men.

**JOHN E. BLAND** (page 20) is a native of Auburn township, Crawford county, Ohio, and was born on August 6, 1849. His parents were farmers and John also learned what it was to be a farmer as it can be said that he was born and raised on the farm. He could only attend the winter terms of the common schools on account of the great amount of work which was required of him and he therefore did not enjoy the opportunities for education which the youth enjoy at present. On the 25th day of December 1872 Mr. Bland was united in marriage with Miss Mary J. Willford, who is a native of Cranberry township, Crawford county and was born on May 17, 1855. This union resulted in the birth of seven children—Lillie Della, Nancie, Samuel, David, Minnie, Eliza and Catharine. Mr. Bland enjoys a popularity among his fellow citizens of which others may well be envious. The honor and trust which his fellow men reposed in him, is manifest in the fact that the people of Cranberry township twice elected him to the office as trustee. In his road district he has served in the capacity of supervisor for 12 successive years and in his school district he served as local director for three terms. Mr. Bland takes an active part in politics and is an uncompromising Democrat.

**H. M. CORY** (page 10) is a native of Cranberry township, Crawford county, Ohio, is a son of Thomas and Esther Cory, and was born on December 28, 1845. Mr. Cory was reared on



the farm, and during his youth received a good common school education, which was due to his close attention to books. At the age of 20 he sought to widen his achievements in the realms of knowledge by attending the seminary at Lexington, Ohio, for two years; after that he attended the Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware, for one year. In 1870 Mr. Cory went to Kansas and engaged in the real estate business for a number of years and at the same time read law under the instruction of his brother, Thomas C. Cory, at Parsons. In August, 1878, he returned to New Washington where he extensively engaged in the insurance business. He taught school for a number of years, always giving complete satisfaction. On October 2, 1886, he was united in marriage with Miss Carrie F. Baker, of Shelby, Ohio. They are now the happy parents of two little girls—Hazel and Minnie M. Mr. Cory is a man of a large influence, both as a citizen and as a politician. The trust reposed in him by his fellow men is kept in sacred faith, and in this is the secret of his universal popularity. He is now serving his third consecutive term as Mayor of New Washington, as well as his third consecutive term as Justice of the Peace of Cranberry township. He does an extensive business in legal matters and his counsel is sought by all in his community. Politically he is an unflinching Democrat and stands high in the estimation of his party throughout the entire county. In matters in which the interests of his community are at stake he is always on hand and ready for work.

**JOHN FREDERIC WALTER** (page 28) is a native of Abstadt, County Seat, Heilbronn, Wurtemberg, Germany, is a son of John P. and Elizabeth Walter, and was born on September 27, 1834. On the 25th of March, 1846, he and his parents bade farewell to their native country and embarked for America coming direct to New Washington where they arrived on the following May 25th. On arriving at New Washington, his parents located on the farm on which J. F. now resides which at that time was yet a perfect wilderness. He remained on the farm until he was 19 years of age when he went to Bucyrus and began to work at harness-making under the instructions of J. G. Birk, and remained with him about three years, when he took a tour through some of the western states. In June, 1858, he was summoned to the bedside of his father who died shortly after his arrival at home. The management of the farm now devolved entirely upon Frederic. By hard work he succeeded to lay up enough money to purchase the farm on which he now resides. On December 25, 1859 he was married to Miss Barbara Elizabeth Trimmer, who departed this life on April 26, 1872. This union was blessed with seven children of whom four—Elizabeth Louisa, Mary Catharine, John William and Jacob Frederic—are yet living. On February 1, 1883, he was again married to Caroline Seyffer, who yet survives. He served the people of Cranberry

township in the capacity of trustee for three terms, has been school director the greater part of his life and was land appraiser in 1880. He is a member of the German Lutheran church and was a member of the church council for 16 years. He is an honest man, a good citizen and a peaceful neighbor. He has always been a Democrat and cast his first vote for Buchanan. A better citizen Cranberry can hardly produce.

**JOHN McCARTHY** (page 22) is a native of Cranberry township, Crawford county, Ohio, was born on January 20, 1860 and is the son of Timothy and Margaret Ann McCarthy. His father was one of the pioneers of Cranberry township. He came to this township in 1835 when nothing but swamps greeted them, and later was prominently identified with the affairs of the township. John's life, until he became 17 years of age, was passed on the farm. At the age of 17 he had acquired an education which enabled him to teach school. After teaching one term he went to St. Vincent, Pa., and attended college for some time. In 1881 he permanently settled on the farm where he has since resided proving himself and intelligent as well as a successful farmer. On July 4, 1883, he was married to Miss Caroline Kessler, of Seneca county. This union resulted in the birth of five children of whom four are yet living—Patrick, Michael, Mary and Justin Albert. Mr. McCarthy is identified with the school interests of his district. He is a member

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**MATTHIAS M. SPRINGER** (page 26) was born in Weller township, Richland county, Ohio, Jan 15, 1837, is the second son of George W. and Elizabeth Springer, is a farmer by occupation, was successful in mechanical pursuits. At an early age he adopted the motto, "Where there's a will there's a way." He first visited Cranberry township, Crawford county, April 1, 1850, and was a frequent visitor in the township during the subsequent years, until March 1, 1875 when he married Miss Ferena Easley and located as a citizen. He removed to Ottawa county Sept. 24, 1867, while there was foremost in organizing the Rocky Ridge U. B., class on Port Clinton circuit, and was appointed steward, also organized a very successful German and English union Sabbath school at same place, of which he was superintendent during the subsequent years that he remained. In Dec. 1873 he returned to Cranberry township after six years and a quarter of financial prosperity. He owns and resides on a good eighty acre farm two miles east and three miles south of New Washington. He was a member of the 2nd O. V. C. over four years during the war, was in 23 engagements and had two horses shot from under him, was also a prisoner of war. In behalf of our Nations defenders residing in Cranberry township, with Mr. Springer's permission we publish the following brief extract from the speech of Capt. Pedrick as delivered at a reunion at Geauga Lake Aug. 8, 1883: "Another year has passed and again we are permitted to join hands in social intercourse with each other, to strengthen and freshen the ties of friendship which were born in danger and hardship during each year of the rebellion. I say born out of danger and hardship, and he who has stood side by side with his comrade in battle when shells were tearing the air over him and minnie balls were singing requiems about him will surely remember that feeling of trust and reliance upon those true hearts around him, each and every one of whom could be counted as a whole man, able and willing to meet his man. Some of you will remember Bugler Springer of my old company M. He is here today blind. He was one of this type, a true marksman and when alongside of him in action I could almost caress the peculiar squint he had to his eye as it ran along the sight of his carbine with the best effect, and at the close of uncertain and hard earned victories. I well remember how the feeling would come upon me to rush forward and hug him with such an affectionate embrace till he would shout enough. And this is what I mean when I say that at such times this affection was born. To such men as he who bore the brunt of battle in the rank, and there did the execution, we are indebted for our victories." This is but one of perhaps many in the town-

ship that proved their loyalty in the hour of our nation's peril by standing true to the old flag. Mr. Springer manifests a deep interest in the education of his children, and, it is well known that his children have acquired a high attainment in music, literary and educational skill.

**PROF. J. F. KIMERLINE** (page 12) is a son of John and Mary Kimerline, was born on December 5, 1855, and is a native of Wayne county, Ohio. His youthful days were passed on the farm with such school privileges as the common schools afforded at that time. He possessed an insatiate desire for knowledge, and to appease that desire he determined to increase his mental acquirements by attending schools of a higher grade than the country school. He attended the academy at Smithville for some time where he was sufficiently qualified to teach. He then alternated teaching and attending school, as he was comparatively without means. He thus managed to accumulate sufficient means to pay for his schooling as he was wholly dependent upon himself. In 1882 Mr. Kimerline graduated from the North Western Ohio University, at Ada, receiving the degree of Master of Sciences of that institution. In 1887 the degree of Bachelor of Arts, was conferred upon him by the same institution. In 1874 he was elected superintendent of the New Washington Schools, a position which he yet holds. In a strict regard for the welfare of his pupils, his practical every day representation of the principles of true manhood and his conscientious and unostentatious discharge of his duties, lies the secret of his permanent remunerative position. The present high standing of the New Washington schools is largely due to his individual work, more so than any other one man. In 1881 he was appointed a member of the Crawford county Board of school Examiners and for seven years served in that capacity creditably to himself and satisfactorily to his constituents. On December 29, 1881, Mr. Kimerline was united in marriage with Miss Ida M. Breneman, of Congress, Ohio, who was a successful teacher for over ten years and who had charge of the Primary department of the New Washington schools for a short time. They are now the proud parents of four children—Florence L., Dale Clifford, Harry Breneman and Louis Marie. He takes a deep concern in all matters involving the interests of his community and always was a strong supporter of worthy enterprises. He is respected by those who know him, admired by his pupils and honored by his fellow citizens. His popularity, as an instructor, is not confined to his home, but has a good reputation and is prominently associated with the best educators of his section of the state. He is a Democrat.

**THOS. F. KELLER M. D.** (page 12) is the youngest son of Reuben and Caroline Keller, was born in Tiffin, Ohio, where 25 years of his school days were spent in the common



schools and Heidelberg University, graduating at the University with a class of eighteen which at that time was the largest class Heideberg University had the honor of graduating. After graduating he devoted his whole time to the study and practice of medicine, graduating at Rush Medical College, Chicago, Ill., afterwards locating in New Washington, Ohio, and has been a resident physician of this place ever since. Dr. Keller has proven himself to be a scholar physician and healer in the arts of rare attainments second to none in northern Ohio. Being a member of the Ohio State, North-western Ohio and Seneca county Medical societies, gives him prestige to the best Medical skill and attainments desired. Always courteous and affable towards his fellow man, vindictive and determined against injustice and wrong doings and the moral courage to uphold principle before policy in the doings of today. In 1879 he married Ella, the oldest daughter of W. O. and Sarah A. Spayth, who together have won the respect and confidence of the entire community as shown by their acts in both precept and example through the busy avenues of every day life. Dr. Keller has not only succeeded as a physician, but has been very successful in a pecuniary point of view, being the owner of Kellers Block, Farmer's Drug Store and Farmer's Dry Goods Store, New Washington, Ohio.

**ANTHONY SMITH** (errata) was born on Feb., 24, 1831, in Hardin county, Virginia, a county famed for her heroes during the early revolutionary times. At the age of three years he with his parents, came to this state and county, where they began clearing up some of the wilderness which then laid claim to nearly the whole of this and Chatfield townships. Mr. Smith can relate many interesting experiences of the early history of these townships, having been a resident of Chatfield township for three years and of Cranberry for more than 50. By hard labor and well directed energy he has fairly enriched himself. On Jan. 30, 1866, he wedded Miss Elizabeth Kahler of Cranberry township, Rev. Belser officiating. This union was blessed with three children: John, born Dec. 27, 1866; Maggie, born March 23, 1870; William, born Aug. 23, 1874. The children are still with their parents who for the past year resided on their farm north-east of New Washington. They moved back to New Washington in the autumn of 1889. Mr. Smith is an active Democrat in politics, and honest and accomodating neighbor, an indulgent husband and father and is in consequence esteemed by all.

**A. F. HIGH** (page 22) is a native of Cranberry township, Crawford county, Ohio, was born in 1865, and is a son of Michael and Mary High. The days of his youth were passed on the farm where he found plenty of work to engage his attention. During the winter seasons he attended the common schools

where he soon became a strong rival in the art of learning for his fellow pupils. Seeking to widen his intellectual achievements he entered and completed the prescribed course at the New Washington High School. He afterwards attended a term at the North-western Ohio University at Ada. After thus qualifying himself he began teaching and taught four successive terms of school. Like many young men he was determined to see the West and for about a year was through the principal cities in the Mississippi Valley. In 1888 he assumed the management of his mother's farm and in connection established an extensive hennery, doing a large and profitable business. He is connected with the German Lutheran church at New Washington. He is a good citizen and neighbor, esteemed by all who know him and is a Democrat.

**S. J. KIBLER** (page 12) is a native of New Washington, Crawford county, Ohio, is a son of Mathias and Frederica Kibler and was born on March 9, 1851. While yet in the prime of life he embraced the advantages then offered for education thereby qualifying himself for his future busy life with a good business education. He assisted his father, who was a tanner, to carry on the then already very extensive business of his tannery, at the same time mastering that occupation. After the death of his father, Mr. Kibler and his younger brother, J. W.,

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**J. W. KIBLER** (page 12) is a native of New Washington, Ohio, was born on June 28, 1859 and is a son of Mathias and Frederica Kibler. His father was a very influential man and had much to do with the affairs of his village and township. He was the first Mayor of New Washington and always took a deep interest in the education of the rising generation. He departed this life on Sept. 23, 1876, a loss which was keenly felt by the entire community. His widow yet survives and those who are yet with her at home are J. W., Monroe, Lovina and Louisa. The last named completed the course of the New Washington High School in the spring of 1883 with the highest honor. In the autumn of the same year she accepted the position of teacher of the intermediate department of the school in New Washington which position she yet retains. She is a good instructor and an exemplary and highly esteemed young lady. After the death of his father, the subject of this sketch formed a partnership with his brother, S. J., and carried on extensively what was his father's business, viz., tanning. During his connection with the firm he has proven himself a successful business man. The people of New Washington recognized his honesty and ability by electing him for three consecutive terms to the office of village clerk, an office, the duties of which he faithfully executed with credit to himself and satisfaction to his constituents. He is an unswerving Democrat, and a hard worker for the cause of his party. His courtesy, affability and integrity win him friends everywhere. A brilliant future awaits him.

**A. H. HISE, M. D.**, (page 11), second son of W. H. and Isabella Hise, is a native of Liberty township, Crawford county, Ohio, and was born near Bucyrus, August 24, 1851. His father is of German descent and his mother of English extraction. Until the age of 12 he attended the district school which usually was under the supervision of a muscular man whose chief qualification was the superior manner of wielding the birch rod in brightening ideas. A part of the summer he assisted on the farm. His father being possessed of the good old idea that every boy should learn a trade, he required him to serve the regular apprenticeship of a shoemaker. While taking this prescribed course he obtained only two or three months schooling during the latter part of the winter. During the long winter nights such books as were found at home and in the township library were read with great eagerness, and formed the nucleus of his education. The earnest desire for more knowledge was partially satisfied by entering the Bucyrus High school. After attending several terms at this place he took a regular course at the Lebanon Normal School, Lebanon, Ohio. The following four years were spent in teaching schools in the neighboring towns. Having decided that the practice of medicine should be his life work, the next three years found him an indefatigable student in that science and graduated with honor from the Columbus Medical College in the Spring of 1879. Shortly after this he located at New Wash-

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ington, Ohio, and became one of its most active citizens in promoting the interests of the town. He is a member of the State and the North Central Ohio Medical societies, and in the latter is an active working member. Through his many genial qualities and close application of his extensive library he has acquired a large an successful practice and one of the finest residences in the village. In the spring of 1879 he married the youngest daughter of the late Dr. G. L. Zeigler, of this county. They are both members of the M. E. church. His family consists of his wife's mother, one of the pioneers of the county, and Bessie and Bertha Sexauer, his orphan nieces.

**JACOB SHEETZ**, (page 14), is a son of John A. and Margaret Sheetz, was born on September 26, 1843, at New Washington, Ohio. Until he became 21 years of age, his time was engaged in assisting his father, who was a merchant, in the discharge of his business and devoted his leisure time in developing his mental powers by attending school. After he became of age he engaged his services to his father until October 10, 1866, at which time he formed a partnership with him, which firm done a large and constantly increasing business. In 1874 his father retired from an active business career. His brother, John H. now became a member of the firm. Hitherto their place of business had been on Main street, but the constantly increasing trade necessitated their removal to more spacious apartments and in consequence they moved their stock of goods to its present location on the Southeast corner of Mansfield and Franklin streets. About this time the Farmer's Exchange Bank was founded with which Jacob has been connected ever since. On October 17, 1867, Mr. Sheetz married Miss Annie Elizabeth Guiss, the only daughter of Abraham and Catherine Guiss, who was born in Cranberry township on February 16, 1845. Their children are Ada Matilda, born Feb. 28, 1869; George William, born Oct. 2, 1871; and Emma Louisa, born Oct. 15, 1875. As a business man, Mr. Sheetz has an honorable career and has the reputation of having been one of the best financiers of the county. Nor were his energies wholly directed on business matters alone. He has been a prominent figure in matters relative to the intellectual advancement of the youth, and his influence was greatly felt in matters concerning the schools. Both Mr. and Mrs. Sheetz are members of the German Lutheran church. His family is one of which he may well be proud. Intelligent, courteous and commanding the respect of the best society. Geo. W., his only son, has completed the prescribed course of the New Washington High School and is now Teller of the Farmers' Exchange Bank. In politics he is identified with the Democrats.

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**CHARLES J. KAPPUS.** (page 12,) is the youngest son of Charles, Sr., and Louisa Kappus, is a native of Huron county, Ohio, and was born near Monroeville on September 14, 1863. When Charles was five years old his parents moved to Crawford county and located on the farm where his father yet resides about 2 miles north of New Washington. Here he was reared and his life was such as is common to a farmer's boy. His school advantages were those of the district school which he attended during the winter seasons. When he became of age, Charles assumed the management of the farm, the affairs of which he creditably conducted until he became 25. At this time he abandoned the farm and came to New Washington and purchased and took charge of the Sample and Lunch room formerly owned by his brother, Ed. He has carried on a respectable and thriving business ever since. On May 14, 1889, he was united in marriage with Miss Lena Hepp, daughter of Geo. Hepp, who was born on June 12, 1869. Mr. and Mrs. Kappus are highly respected by those with whom they come in contact, and are both members of St. Bernard's Catholic church. Mr. Kappus is an influential young man and has a brilliant future before him. In politics he has always been known as a staunch Democrat.

**JOHN H. SHEETZ** (page 14) was born August 29, 1852, at New Washington, Ohio. He is a son of John A. and Margaret (Donnenwirth) Sheetz. He attended the village schools until the winter of 1869-70, when he attended school at Oberlin, Ohio. Having a dislike for mercantiling, he then followed farming for two years. In 1872 he took a commercial course at Mt. Union College. In the spring of 1873 he commenced clerking for John A. Sheetz & Son, and in 1874 bought his father's interest in the business, forming a copartnership with his brother, Jacob. The business had increased to such an extent that they were obliged to secure more room. They then moved their stock into the brick block which they now own and occupy. In 1876 Mr. Sheetz was elected Cashier of the Farmers' Exchange Bank of New Washington, Ohio, which position he has held since its organization. Much is to be attributed to his efforts and energy in the organization and management of this Bank. He was married October 2, 1889, to Miss Theresia W. Michaelis, of Bucyrus, Ohio, daughter of Rev. A. H. G. and Caroline (Margraf) Michaelis. Rev. Michaelis departed this life in August 1885 at Westerville, Ohio, while Mrs. Michaelis resides at Bucyrus, Ohio, at present. Mr. Sheetz is a member of the Lutheran church.

**JOHN A. SHEETZ, Banker,** (page 14.) Among the old and honored residents of Cranberry township is the subject of this sketch. He was born September 6, 1809, in Hollenhaslack, County of Waihringen, Wuerttemberg, Germany. In 1830 at the age 21, he left Europe and came to America, residing for



the first two years in Columbiana county, Ohio. Thence he went to Lebanon, Ohio, in which vicinity he labored at \$6.00 per month on the farm. In May 1836, he was married to Margaret Weisenbacher, whose parents lived near Lebanon, Ohio. This union was of very short duration, his wife dying two months after the wedding, in Auburn township, where he had purchased a home of 93 acres of timber land. Upon this land (now owned by Jacob Uhl,) he erected a log cabin which is still occupied as a dwelling house at this date. He was married again in September, 1837, to Agatha Weaver, but was equally unfortunate, his second wife dying in 1838 giving birth to a daughter, Catherine A., who is the wife of Wm. H. Donnenwirth, of Canton, Ohio. He was married again April 8, 1842, to Margaret Hesse, widow of Ehrégoth Hesse and daughter of Geo. Donnenwirth who died in 1858. To this union were born the following family; Jacob, born in 1843; Mary M., born 1845, died in 1871; George, born in 1849 and died the same year; Caroline M., born in 1850 and is the wife of John L. Assenheimer, Bucyrus, Ohio; John H., born 1852; Lousia P., born in 1854 and is wife of John M. Guiss. His wife by her first husband, Mr. Hesse, had one daughter, Matilda, who lived with Mr. Sheetz until she married George Schwemley. She died in Chatfield township July 1870. Mr. Sheetz first began the mercantile business with a general assortment of goods at New Washington in 1842 in a room of his log dwelling house situated on the North East corner of Main and Franklin street. His entire stock of goods could have been hauled on a wheelbarrow. He also had the first and only hotel in the village at that time. In 1850 his trade and stock had so increased that he was obliged to build a business room, which he did on S. E. corner of Main and Franklin street. He continued until 1865, when he took his son, Jacob, in as a partner. The firm then being John A. Sheetz & Son. They continued to do business at the old stand until 1874, when he sold his interest to his son, John H. Sheetz, he retiring from the mercantile business. Mr. Sheetz was one of the organizers of the Farmers Exchange Bank, of New Washington, O., and has been president of the bank since its organization. He is an honest straightforward man having made all his money by hard labor and honorable dealing. He has always been a member of the Lutheran church.

Since the above was written, the subject of this sketch departed this life on December 7, 1889, aged, 80 yrs., 3 mo., 1 da. Thus closed an honorable and eventful career.



# PART III.

# HISTORICAL.

## New Washington.

### The Beginning.

**Topography.** The tract of land which comprises the site of the Incorporated Village of New Washington, Ohio, lies on either side of the eastern boundary line of a tract of land, which, after 1820, was known as the New Purchase, in Cranberry township, Crawford county. The corporation contains an area at present of nearly a section of land and is  $40^{\circ} 58'$  North latitude and about  $6^{\circ}$  West longitude reckoning from the Meridian at Washington. As late as 1820 the site upon which the Village now stands was a dismal conglomeration of swamps and forests, inhabited only by the Red Man and the wild beasts of the forests. But it was not ordained that matters were always thus to continue. The Indian was to resume his lonely march toward the setting of the sun; the beasts of the forests were to become the victim of the hunter; the forests were to fall mercilessly before the White Man's ax, and the swamps were to be dried up by artificial drainage; civilization was to succeed savagery, the stagnant pool was to be superseded by large business blocks and the winding path of the Indian was to be converted into streets and vast thoroughfares for the carrying on of business of a busy and intelligent race. The soil, once beaten by the tread of the wolf, the panther and the bear, is now beaten by the feet of the mechanic, the merchant and the professionalists, and their former abode is now the abode of 1100 prosperous and happy souls.

Such have been a few of the multifarious transformations which have taken place in the corporate limits of New Washington within the lapse of less than seventy years. When another three score and ten years shall have passed, we predict there will be as distinct changes as there have been in the past. That the changes will be for the better, no one will question. That the steady onward march of civilization, culture and refinement will do wonders in the extension of the borders of the Village is not to be doubted.

**The Founder.** In 1826 George Myers purchased the tract of land on which the principal part of the village now stands. His cabin, probably the first building erected in New Washington, stood near the present site of the grist-mill. Being an industrious man, he at once began the work of clearing away the forest and preparing the soil for cultivation, which indeed was an exceedingly arduous task, and which comparatively few had the nerve to undertake. While others were roving about the woods in search for game, he was always to be found at his work on the land which he purchased, and the result was that in 1833 he had about thirty acres cleared, fenced and under cultivation. Though a robust man, continual hard work ruined his health to a considerable extent. He was commonly known as "Chipmunk" Myers from a fancied resemblance of a chipmunk in his appearance, wearing heavy whiskers which stood straight out. On September 3, 1833, Mr. Myers secured the service of T. C. Sweeney, then surveyor of Crawford county, and laid out thirty-one lots from a portion of his cleared land. At this date the history of the Village proper, begins. The Village was named New Washington by its founder, probably on account of a patriotic impulse caused by the esteem and honor which the founder had for the "Father of his Country." What the magnitude of the expectations of the founder of New Washington, regarding her future, were, can hardly be imagined. He saw that it was sufficiently removed from any very extensive business center to insure a lively trade, and later events proved his views to be correct. The sturdy industry of George Myers, which was well worthy of imitation, seemed to be inherited by the leading business men of the succeeding generations, and the result was that the village, though at times at an apparent stand still, enjoyed a steady growth, which, beyond a doubt, fully met the

expectation of the industrious and hard working founder.

**Early Settlers.** There is so much uncertainty regarding the first settlers within the corporate limits of New Washington that it is impossible to give a definite account of them. It is, however, generally believed the second cabin erected was that of Jacob Hoover, who with his brother, Nimrod, were great hunters and spent all their time in quest of game. Their habits differed materially from that of Mr. Myers. In 1833 a large German emigration arrived and located in the vicinity of New Washington and some of them were afterward closely connected with the affairs of the village. Among those who constituted that emigration were George Donnenwirth, George Klein, Warner Rang, Joseph Worst, John, William and Armstrong Irwin, Wm. Scott, Wm. Hoover, Henry Kahler, George Siefert, Timothy McCarthy, Adam High, John Robinson and many others. The arrival of this emigration and the laying out of the village by Mr. Myers, were simultaneous events, and from henceforth the village has been the central figure of the entire community. In 1834, Adam High built a regular dwelling of hewn logs in New Washington. It was in reality the first building in town worthy of the name of dwelling. He was an old man when he came to New Washington but commanded considerable wealth. He invested in real estate and let out his money on interest. Three years later his son set up a blacksmith-shop and in connection with other pursuits, followed that vocation for many years. About the time of Adam High's location in the village, Robert Robinson arrived and erected a cabin and began the manufacture of shoes, giving employment to several men. He was also a tanner and was therefore enabled to prepare his own leather and some for market besides. His tannery which consisted of five or six vats was in a small building a short distance from his shoe shop. In 1836 a Mr. Hussey brought the first stock of goods, which was purchased in Sandusky City, to town and began to do business. The stock was necessarily very much varied. He continued in business until his death which occurred on Lake Erie in 1842 while on board a vessel which was wrecked in a fierce gale. Mrs. Hussey, however continued in her husband's business. In about 1836 George Donnenwirth became a resident of New Washington. He set up a blacksmith shop and followed that vocation for years. His sturdy honesty

won for him a popularity throughout the entire county such as is rarely enjoyed by any one man. He served as Justice of the Peace for many years and afterward represented Crawford county in the Ohio Legislature. In 1855 he was elected treasurer of Crawford county. After this he ceased to be a citizen of New Washington, but his influence and a large circle of relatives yet remain. His death at Bucyrus a few years ago was universally lamented by the people of Crawford county among whom he had been such a prominent figure.

About a decade after Adam High's arrival a number of other personages became residents of the village, who were prominently identified with its affairs in later years. Among them was John A. Sheetz, who became the proprietor of the stock of goods, formerly owned by Mr. Hussey, in 1842. He and Mrs. Hussey were united in marriage and are yet living at this place. Mr. Sheetz increased the stock of goods and carried on business on an extensive scale until some years ago when he left his sons in charge of the business. He is at present president of the Farmer's Exchange Bank. Two years later Vollney Powers became a citizen of the village and brought the second stock of goods to town and began to do a thriving business. Much of his attention was required at his ashery which was second only to his store in a pecuniary point of view. Ashes were brought in by the wagon load and converted into "pearl ash" of which an average of nearly fifteen tons was made per annum. Mr. Powers is yet alive and resides on one of the best farms of Cranberry township, one mile east of New Washington. Another of the arrivals in 1844 was William H. Pratt and family. He was a skillful carpenter and in subsequent years became a prominent resident of the village. He possessed energy in a sufficient degree to accomplish any task which he undertook. He employed a large force of men and became an extensive building contractor. In later years he began to deal in furs in which, it is said, he realized large profits. In connection with dealing in fur, he opened a provision store, which stock of goods he sold in a few years, substituting in its place a stock of drugs and continued in that business for many years and realized a substantial income. In 1871 Mr. Pratt erected a large planing mill and was its proprietor for about ten years. In later years he moved to Napanee, Indiana.



In the spring of 1847 another prominent figure was added to New Washington in the person of Mathias Kibler. He was a practical tanner and had been a resident of Cranberry township for six years prior to his arrival in New Washington. Mr. Kibler purchased the tannery and outfit formerly owned by Robert Robinson. His reputation as a first-class tanner soon became widely known, and this resulted in his leather finding a ready market and commanding the highest prices. His business increased in such proportions that a larger and more commodious building was necessary. He thereupon erected the building, which is now owned by his sons, and prosecuted the work with renewed energy and zeal. It is not probable that any other man deserves as much credit as Mr. Kibler for arousing the early settlers from their lethargy regarding educational matters. He did not think that the idea of having the youth grow to manhood in ignorance was just and right. To him the development of the mind was, at least, equally as important as that of the body. Possessed with these ideas concerning the intellectual advancement of the rising generation, he concentrated all his energies and brought his most powerful influence to bear heavily upon his fellow men to divide the township into districts, erect school-houses and furnish such advantages for education as lay within their power and means. His labor was not in vain as later events are evidence of its success. Mr. Kibler served his fellow men in various positions of honor and trust, and always with credit to himself. He was an ardent friend of the public schools and his strong support still exerts a most magnificent influence in matters pertaining to schools, and it is to be hoped that it will become more and more powerful as time rolls on. Nor has the present generation of the Kiblers deteriorated in the promotion of educational interests. His son, S. J., has for many years been a member of the Board of Education and is now president of that organization. His daughter, Louisa, has for the past seven years had charge of the intermediate department of the schools and is acknowledged to be one of the most successful teachers in Crawford county.

These have been a few of the prominent settlers who located within the corporate limits of New Washington, prior to 1850. There were others whose deeds are worthy of mention but space forbids. Some of the later arrivals are yet among the living;



but the majority are now calmly sleeping in the silent cities of the dead. Of their hardships and trials the present generation can have but a faint idea. All their supplies had to be brought from distant cities through forests and swamps accompanied by numerous perils which no longer exist in this country. Many were the misfortunes which they met without a murmur or complaint. Many were the difficulties which they encountered and which were possible to overcome only by a courageous self reliance and a determined and resolute spirit. They came out as conquerors in all their undertakings. They achieved the object of their undertakings only to be enjoyed by their posterity. What a beautiful picture their heroic efforts present when contrasted with the sickly sentimentality of the present!

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## The Village.

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**Growth.** The growth of the village at first was very slow. As late as 1836 there were only about a half a dozen families who composed its entire population. In 1840 the population numbered about 50 to which no material increase was noticeable for many years. But as the work of clearing away the forests in the surrounding country progressed and the population in the township increased, the business of the village began to increase and became more and more diversified: New industries sprang up such as were necessitated by the wants of the people in the community. The various professions were soon represented in the village and the population increased steadily. The people began to launch in various enterprises. Although some were inglorious failures others were brilliantly successful. The little burg, like all others, had its ups and downs. In all her struggles she labored bravely and gallantly until her object was achieved.

**Enterprises.** When it became a certainty that New Washington was to be a point on the Mansfield, Cold Water & Lake Michigan Railway, now the North Western Ohio, the village received an impetus such as she had never enjoyed before. Her population increased three-fold, property rapidly rose in value,

business places became more numerous and dozens of buildings sprang up simultaneously. Nor was this impetus received without a grand and self-denying effort on the part of her citizens. To insure New Washington as a point on the line \$30,000 were to be raised. This was a herculean task, but by constant perseverance the little city came out victorious and is now reaping her reward. Her population had increased to over 600 in 1880. It now became apparent that New Washington was destined to be more than a mere ordinary village. Evidences of progress were noticeable everywhere. The merchant, mechanic and professionalist were well patronized, and the little city now furnished ample outlet for the various products of the farming community. Society became more refined and the public mind was gradually drifting into a literary channel. Early in 1881 a number of the most influential men organized themselves in a body to solicit subscribers to a newspaper which was to be published in New Washington. They met with success. In February of the same year the first issue of the *HERALD*, a 5-column quarto, made its appearance under the supervision of O. C. Wheeler. The citizens have been quite liberal in their support of this paper as it is now nearing its tenth volume. The indications are that it has come to stay. Another valuable acquisition for the village was that of a Union Telephone station in the fall of 1885, by which means free and rapid communication with other points was afforded. The enterprise has been largely patronized. That it has become a permanent thing is not to be questioned. The Summer of 1887 furnished an opportunity in which the public spiritedness of the citizens of New Washington was most vividly exemplified. The idea of prospecting for gas agitated their minds. The benefit to be derived, in case a discovery should be made, was readily seen by them, and the thought, that in their dormancy the future welfare of their city might be forever impaired, was more than they could bear. The agitation culminated in the organization of a stock company with a capital of \$3,000. The shares quite readily found purchasers. This organization was known as the New Washington Prospecting Company. The company leased about 4000 acres of land in the vicinity of their village. A contractor was engaged to sink a well. Everything went on well until the funds were exhausted. Some means had to be provided for raising the necessary funds or the pro-

ject must fail. A petition praying for the privilege of bonding the village to the amount of \$2,500 and making the corporation a partner in the joint stock company, was presented to the General Assembly of Ohio when it convened in January 1888. The petition was granted by that body provided the people by their ballot so decreed. An election was ordered. The result was that out of over 150 votes cast there were only 6 against the issue of bonds. Notwithstanding the fact that the project was fruitless, it served to demonstrate the progressive spirit which the citizens of New Washington and community possessed. Immediately following in the Summer of 1888 a proposition was submitted to the people of New Washington by the Pittsburgh, Akron & Western Railway Company as follows: That New Washington should be a point on the line providing the right-of-way was secured through Cranberry township and the corporation and enough money raised to erect a suitable depot. An organization was effected and the work of securing the right-of-way vigorously prosecuted. The result was that in less than a month's time New Washington had her work accomplished and besides had secured several miles of right-of-way in Chatfield township and half way through Auburn township. In November of the same year grading was begun and continued until cold weather set in. The road will be completed in due time. Such have been a few of the most important enterprises in which the people of New Washington were interested. In all they have responded nobly. On all sides are evidences of a wonderful growth during the last decade. From the present outlook the census enumerator in 1890 will report a population of 1100 souls.

# The Schools.



Learning by study must be won;  
'Twas ne'er entail'd from son to son.—GAY.

'Tis education forms the common mind;  
Just as the twig is bent, the tree's inclin'd.

POPE.

In following the history of mankind we observe that in proportion as nations cultivate their moral and intellectual powers, atrocious actions diminish in numbers, the manners and pleasures become more refined, the legislation milder, the religion purified from superstition, and the arts address themselves to the finer emotions of the mind.—SPURZHEIM.

**The First School.** It is a fact well worth mentioning that some of the early settlers had seen with concern that their children were growing up around them with no school advantages. To them this was an alarming condition of affairs. To permit their children to grow up to citizenship in ignorance would have been a disgrace to themselves and a gross injustice to their children. There was only one course to pursue to overcome this dilemma, and that was to establish schools where the intellectual wants of their children might, at least in a measure, be satisfied. They accordingly, as early as the winter of 1833-34, rented a rude building which had been erected for some other purpose, and employed a man whose name is not remembered, to teach school. In this forbidding structure school was taught every winter until 1839, when a log school house was built about a mile south of the village. This school was attended by the children of the village until about 1842.

**The First School House.** In about 1842 the first school-house in New Washington was erected on the rear end of the lot on the north-east corner of Main and Rossman streets. It was



a mere log hut and would indeed present a beggarly appearance alongside the magnificent school-houses of today, to say nothing of the discomforts and inconveniences to which both teacher and pupils were subjected by the scantily furnished interior. The benches were made of slabs supported by legs of irregular shapes and dimensions. An ingenious (?) contrivance answering the purposes of a desk was arranged next to the wall. It thus happened that when a pupil wished to do some work in which a desk was brought into requisition, that he would leave his accustomed seat and take his position at this peculiar projection from the wall and do his work, after which he again returned to his former seat. This structure was utilized for school purposes for about thirteen years. The names of those who served as instructors in this building have nearly all faded from the memory of the oldest settlers. It is however, reasonably certain that among the leading teachers in this building were A. C. McNutt, H. H. Carson, Dr. Shaffer and Catharine Ream.

**Progress.** As the population of the village increased a larger school building was necessitated. In 1855 another building which was a decided improvement over the first school-house, was erected on the south end of the same lot. The building is now occupied by the parochial school of the German Lutheran church. School was taught in this building for about ten or eleven years. Among those who taught in this building are W. C. Guiss, James McMorris, T. B. Carson and James Grant.

The rapidly increasing population soon necessitated another and much larger building. In about 1867 the two story building on the north-east corner of Main and Rossman streets was erected at a cost of about \$2000. From henceforth the school was divided into two departments, necessitating the services of two teachers. On every hand were evidences of progress in the cause of education noticeable. The teachers became more thoroughly qualified to do good and effective work, and as a result the scholars, as a rule, became more and more studious and attentive. Among the teachers prior to 1874 in this building were John Perky, Lewis Guiss, Anna Cox, Melissa Hudson, Hattie Darr, T. B. Carson and Smith Blair.

**Special District.** At the time the railroad was built through New Washington the population of the village was largely increased, which also largely increased the number of



school children. Up to this time no special provision had been made to offer better school facilities than the country school. It remained for a few determined and energetic men to place their schools on a higher grade and adopt a uniform system for their government. Chief among these men, was Mathias Kibler, of whom a short account concerning his valiant work in school affairs, is given at length elsewhere in this volume. It was through his instrumentality that a call for an election to organize a special school district for New Washington was issued. The election was held on April 13, 1874. The result was the organization of a special school district, and from henceforth the school has been farther reaching in its influence and effect. Shortly after the special district had been organized, J. F. Kimerline assumed the superintendency of the schools and has ever since been the central figure through whom the rapid advancement of the schools was achieved. In the spring of 1875 he taught the entire school with an enrollment of 104 and an average attendance of 94. The work was too arduous for one man to do, and in the autumn of the same year Mr. Kimerline was assisted by Henry B. Kurtz who took charge of the Primary department. After teaching a number of successful terms in this department Mr. Kurtz was succeeded by A. G. Lederer who for three successive years ably presided over this department. In 1879 the enrollment of the schools had reached 120. This was more than the the school building could accommodate. The Board of Education was now compelled to furnish means for the accommodation of all the children of school age. They rented and furnished a room in Pratt's hall, to which the Primary department was removed with Mrs. Laura Buchman as instructor. In 1881 the enrollment in this department had increased to such an extent that the Board of Education found it necessary to employ an additional teacher for this department. Accordingly the services of Mrs. J. F. Kimerline were secured, who assisted Mrs. Buchman in the Primary department, both teaching in the same room. In the meantime S. B. Carson succeeded A. G. Lederer to assist Supt. Kimerline in the other departments at the school-house. In the autumn of 1880 Mr. Carson was succeeded by O. E. DeWitt.

**New School Building.** What was to be done with the over-crowded condition of the schools? There was but one al-

ternative, and that was to erect a building suited to the demands of the time. The land enclosed by Orchard, Center, Washington and Kibler streets was selected and purchased for the site of the proposed new building. Plans and specifications were drawn up and adopted, and in 1881 a contractor was engaged and the

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**School Building Erected in 1881.**

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work of construction begun. A magnificent edifice, 72 by 78 feet and three stories high, was erected at a cost of about \$15,000. It is modern in its architecture, beautiful and imposing in its appearance and substantial and durable in its construction. The interior presents a model of convenience and comfort in its

arrangement. The spacious rooms are especially attractive. A hall with a seating capacity for 700 people is a very valuable feature of the building. As a whole the building stands second to none in northern Ohio. It has been, and justly is, the pride of every citizen of New Washington. The edifice is well worthy of the grand and noble cause for which it was erected, and vice versa. Honor to those who were instrumental in urging and honor to the tax payers who willingly contributed for its construction.

**The School Premises and Apparatus.** The school-yard is a beautiful lawn surrounded by thrifty shade trees, presenting indeed an inviting and picturesque appearance. A substantial walk of sawed stone leads from the street to the main entrance of the building while the entire building is surrounded by a heavy layer of crushed stone, thereby enabling the pupils to go to, from and around the building during the extremest wet weather without danger of impairing their health by the usual exposure to muddy yards to which pupils are more or less subjected. Another important feature of the school premises is a powerful force pump with fixtures that water can be forced to any room in the building, which has recently been put in the well. The apparatus belonging to the school is very well suited to the wants of the pupils. Among these are a fine telescope, and excellent charts, maps, globes, &c. An extensive library, belonging to the school is a very valuable acquisition.

**The Transfer.** In April of 1882 the schools were transferred to the new building, the building having been accepted from the hands of the contractor. At this time the school was divided into departments as follows: Primary, Intermediate, Grammar and High School. The facilities for education having been largely increased from henceforth more effective work was accomplished. The schools were now lifted to a high standard. About this time the first catalogue of the schools was issued, which, in 1886 was followed by the second catalogue. The influence of these schools was felt throughout the county. Pupils came in from all quarters and imbraced the advantages for education offered by them.

**The Departments.** At the time of the transfer of the schools to the new building the Primary department had an enrollment of 38 and an average attendance of 34. In 1886 this de-

partment enrolled 46 and had an average attendance of 36, and at present the enrollment is 43 and the average attendance 40. At the time of the transfer this department was taught by Mrs. J. F. Kimerline. In the fall of 1882 she was succeeded by Mary Chambers, of Crestline, who had charge of this department until the close of the schools in 1884. In the Autumn she was succeeded by Miss Edith N. Spayth who served as teacher for two years. In the fall of 1886 Miss Amanda High assumed charge of this department and yet retains the position.

The Intermediate department came to the new building with an enrollment of 34 and an average attendance of 31; in 1886 the enrollment was 40 and the average attendance 34; and at present the enrollment is 44 and the average attendance 42. In 1882 this department was taught by Mrs. Laura Buchman. In the Autumn of 1883 Miss Lousa Kibler succeeded Mrs. Buchman as teacher of this department and has held that position ever since.

The Grammar department, in April, '82, had attained an enrollment of 30 and an average attendance of 28; 1886, enrollment 27, average attendance 22; and at present the enrollment is 23 and average attendance 20. This department was taught by O. E. DeWitt in 1882. In the Autumn of '83 he was succeeded by G. S. Catlin who taught this department for three years. In the Autumn of 1887 F. H. Flickinger took charge of this department and is its present teacher.

The High school came to the new building with an enrollment of 30 and an average attendance of 26; in 1886 the enrollment numbered 38 and the average attendance 29; at present the enrollment is 38 and the average attendance 33. Aside from his work of general supervision over the other departments this department was taught by Supt. J. F. Kimerline in 1882 and Spring of '83. In the Autumn of 1883 O. F. Laughbaum was elected principal of this department and in connection with the Superintendent has had charge of the High school ever since. The time required in this department is four years.

**Literary Societies.** The schools are divided into two literary societies—Webster and Excelsior. There are literary exercises every Friday during the last quarter, the societies alternating their work, i. e., the Websters are on duty one week and the Excelsiors the next. About three or four public entertainments



are given by these societies, annually, and are always largely attended and are highly creditable to the schools.

**First Commencement.** On the evening of June 9, 1883, the first commencement exercises were held, a class of nine graduating from the High school. The spacious hall, tastefully and elaborately adorned for the occasion, was filled to overflowing by an anxious throng to witness the proceedings of this new departure. The scene was one that will live long in the memories of those who were present. The members of the first class, known as the "Class of '83," were as follows: Miss Tillie Guiss, E. J. Moody, S. L. French, A. H. Schwemley, E. D. Robinson, Henry Arras, J. R. Miller, D. I. Cummins and Miss Louisa Kibler. Since then five classes have graduated.

**The Alumni.** This organization is composed of the members of all the classes that have graduated from the schools. Its members meet once a year in social re-union. These re-unions are pleasant occasions for those who are fortunate enough to attend them. The total membership at present numbers thirty-three.

**Conclusion.** We have traced the history of the schools of New Washington over a period of fifty-six years. How well the history has been told, is not for the historian to tell. It is, however, hoped that at least a semblance of justice has been given the schools by this brief sketch of their existence. The schools are an institution to which the village is very much indebted for the credit and social standing which it enjoys. The maxim "As the teacher, so the school" reflects unbounded credit upon those in whose charge the schools have been. A word in behalf of the services of the present superintendent and corps of teachers will, we trust, not be considered a breach of modesty by the public. Justice demands that an appropriate recognition of their services be made. Second to none other have been the services rendered by Prof. J. F. Kimerline in elevating the schools to their present high standing. He has been superintendent since 1874, a period of fifteen years, during which time the schools have made their greatest strides of progress. Had he been other than an exemplary man, a hard worker and a first class instructor, he could not have retained his responsible position. O. F. Laughbaum has had charge of the High school for six years and deserves much credit. He is a man of strong determination and excell-



ent habits. Miss Louisa Kibler, the teacher of the Intermediate department, also deserves special mention. For six successive years her services were fraught with good results. F. H. Flickinger in the Grammar, and Miss Amanda High in the Primary department, have been in the service a shorter period of time but are doing equally as successful work. The Board of Education and the citizens in general deserve praise for the part they take in the cause of education; for through them it is made possible to appropriate the sum of nearly \$2,500 annually to carry on this work not including the cost of the building and keeping it in repairs. What, then, of the future of the schools? Will their future be prosperous and bright? So long as the training of the mind, the development of the intellect and the culture of morals is uppermost in the minds of men, so long will schools flourish and so long will ignorance, superstition, immorality and crime be on the decline. What course will you pursue? Choose, ye future and unborn generations.

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## The Churches.

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### GERMAN EV. LUTH. ST. JOHN'S CHURCH.

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**Organization.** The history of this church is closely identified with the history of New Washington itself. The founders were among the first settlers of the village in which it was located. The difficulties attending its organization were coincident with those almost unconquerable difficulties of converting the present site of New Washington and surroundings from a desolate, swampy wilderness to the state of cultivation and beauty in which this generation has received it as a legacy from those pioneer settlers. Write the history of these beautiful farms and houses that grace this locality, tracing them back to those sturdy pioneer woodsmen, whom we call our fathers, and who, with axe, spade and plow, laid low the primeval forests, drained the land and turned it into laughing fields of grain and corn, and you write the history of this church. From records at hand and of whose authenticity we are assured, it appears that New Washington was laid out in 1833 and its first regular dwelling, a log

house of course, was built by a man named Joseph Busch. The second dwelling, a two-story log house, was built by Adam High, a native of Germany and one of the oldest members of the Lutheran church in this vicinity, in the year 1833. In this house the first organization of the church was effected in the spring of 1834 with a membership of twelve families, Rev. Stauch, a German itinerant preacher, presiding. It was a courageous little band of worshipers, of purely German descent, full of earnestness and devotion. They had but one service in eight weeks, but they held together and thus laid the foundation of the present congregation. This was the first organization.

A second organization took place December 16, 1852. Up to this time the congregation had been a combination of Lutherans and Reformed, the Lutheran element, however, predominating. Under the efficient ministry of Rev. Robert Graetz the congregation obtained the conviction that such an inconsistent union was contrary to God's Word, and, those of the Reformed persuasion having by this time adopted the Lutheran faith, it was decided to do away with this unholy thing and confess one and the same faith. Accordingly the old organization known as the "United Lutheran and Reformed Church" was dissolved and a new one effected. The name of the church now became "The German Ev. Lutheran Church," its confession the Symbolical Books of the Ev. Luth. Church and its character entirely Lutheran. A new constitution was also adopted which remained in force until recently, when it was revised and amended. The church thus organized was incorporated January 24, 1853 and its organization has proved permanent to this day.

**Growth.** Beginning with a membership of twelve families and reaching that of about 150 families surely indicates growth. This was not the result of proselyting as that practice does not obtain in the Lutheran church. The growth of St. John's church was due principally to emigration, most of its new additions being received from sister churches in Europe. Of late, however, its development has been mostly from within; nor are its resources in this respect exhausted, there being almost 200 children in its fold. Its present membership numbers 616 souls of whom 430 are communicant members. The present property of the congregation also indicates growth. The first services, as mentioned, were held in the dwelling of Adam High. A school-

house was next secured which served as a place of worship until the summer of 1840, when the congregation moved into its own house, a new log church. A few who helped to build it are still living, while the old log church is fresh in the memory of some of the younger members. The fact that during the winter of 1840-41, for want of a stove, the congregation again returned to the home of Mr. High, goes to show that its progress was not made without a struggle. The log church served its purpose for fourteen years, viz., from 1840 to 1854. It had become too small to accommodate the whole congregation and in the spring of 1853 it was decided to build a new house of worship. In the fall the corner-stone of the new building was laid, Rev. Robert Graetz officiating. The vestry at that time consisted of George Donnenwirth, Valentine High, Jacob Utz, Sr., George Leonhart, John C. Walter, Jacob Weil, Michael Marquart and John A. Sheetz. The dedication of the new building took place October 8, 1854. It is the same building which the congregation is at present using as its place of worship, having served for 35 years. It, too, has been outgrown by the congregation and must soon give way to a larger edifice. Besides the church, the congregation owns a small school house, a parsonage and a cemetery. While the property of the church has been accumulating, that of its members has in like manner been increasing, most of them being in comfortable circumstances, some even well-to-do. It is to be hoped that the future growth of the congregation will even exceed that of the past.

**Services.** At present St. John's congregation has regular services. This was not always so. From 1834 to 1836 it had but one service in eight weeks, making six sermons a year. The reason of this was that the minister then serving had an extensive mission field and was probably supplying the whole of Crawford county. After the year 1836 services were held once a month, making twelve sermons a year. There was a gradual increase from then on, but even up to the last few years of Rev. Belser's pastorate, who left here in 1875, the services of the congregation were more or less irregular in time. It was only after the congregations at Windfall and Richville, which together with this church had formed one charge, were supplied with their own pastor and Rev. Belser served this congregation exclusively, that services were held here every Sunday morning.

So far the preaching had been exclusively German. The need of preaching in the English language was making itself felt. Various reasons for its introduction presented themselves. New members were received and some of the old members had relatives and friends who were not conversant with the German. This was one reason. Another was that strangers to the Lutheran confessions, not only from prejudice but often from mere ignorance, falsely judge and often malign the Lutheran church. To instruct the ignorant and to stop the mouth of slander it was imperatively necessary that the church should preach its glorious gospel in the language of these people. Accordingly, during the pastorate of Rev. Boehme, it was resolved to hold English services once a month which is continued to the present day. Besides its regular appointments on Sunday, extra services are held on Christmas day, the evening before New Year's day, New Year's day, each Friday during the season of Lent, Ascension day, the day of national Thanksgiving and Reformation day. At present no less than seventy-five regular services are held annually in St. John's church, which apparently is quite a change from those days in which it had but six.

Special services are held for the children. A Sunday School with 165 scholars enrolled and 21 teachers employed, assembles at 2 o'clock every Sunday afternoon. Besides this the children are assembled a half hour before each morning service for catechetical exercise. Regular lectures on the catechism are held during the winter months, preparing children of proper age for confirmation. Adding to this a parochial school, at present under the management of Mr. H. Zimmermann, which is held the year around, the children have all the facilities of being thoroughly grounded and indoctrinated in the Word of God. We may add here that the congregation holds four regular business meetings annually and that the vestry meets once a month.

**Synodical Connections.** The congregation is connected with the Ev. Luth. Joint Synod of Ohio and adjacent states, a body numbering 60,000 communicants, 300 pastors with their respective charges and about 100 parochial school teachers with their respective schools. This Synod maintains three institutions of learning and one of charity. The latter is situated at Richmond, Ind., and shelters over 100 orphans. Of the former it has a college and seminary at Columbus, Ohio, a seminary at



Afton, Minn., and one at Hickory, North Carolina. These institutions are kept up at an annual expense of \$25,000, of which St. John's congregation pays its quota of \$215, or fifty cents per communicant member. At the meetings of Synod the congregation is always represented by its minister and one lay delegate. By its synodical connection and co-operation with other congregations this church believes that it is keeping that "bond of union" enjoined by its Lord, and fulfilling the divine command: "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature." Mark 16-15.

**Confession.** The following is taken from the constitution of this church: This congregation receives all the canonical books of the Old and New Testaments as the revealed Word of God, and the confessions of the Ev. Luth. Church as the correct interpretation of the Word of God. These confessions are: the Apostolic, the Nicene and the Athanasian Creeds; the unaltered Augsburg Confession and its Apology; the Smalcald Articles; Luther's larger and smaller catechisms and the Formula of Concord. With these Confessions all doctrines taught in this congregation shall be in strict accord, and all questions and regulations pertaining to the church shall be decided by and in conformity with them." For the benefit of those who are unacquainted with these writings be it stated briefly that this church believes:

1. That the Bible is the inspired Word of God.
2. That man by nature is corrupt with sin and if left to himself will perish.
3. That Jesus of Nazareth, true God and true man, is the Savior of men, having redeemed them by His innocent suffering and death.
4. That the merits of Christ must be apprehended by true, living faith before they can be of any personal benefit to anyone.
5. That such faith implies a change of heart, a spiritual regeneration.
6. That the Word of God, the Lord's Supper and holy Baptism are the means of grace through which the Holy Spirit regenerates men and strengthens faith.
7. That infants should be baptized and that through such baptism they become children of God.

8. That the Lord shall come again, when the dead shall arise and judgement shall be pronounced upon all men according to the rule: "He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned." Mark xvi, 16.

**Ministers.** In writing the history of a church it is but just to make mention of its pastors, who, more than any one else shared the ups and downs of the church's career.

Of the first man who served the St. John's church in the capacity of minister, the record from which we write gives but little information. It states that his name was Stauch, that he presided at the first organization of the church and that he served the congregation two years, from 1834 to 1836. He was succeeded by Rev. Fred Mashap, who dissolved his connection with the Reformed Synod and after leaving here became a Lutheran preacher in Newark, New Jersey. He confirmed the first class of catechumens in the old log school house. He served from the spring of 1836 to the fall of 1837. His successor was Rev. John Krauss, a native of Wuerttemberg, Ger., who served the congregation from 1839 to 1843, a period of four years. It was he who had the good fortune of exchanging the school house for the log church. Rev. Rob. Graetz, at present stationed in Montra, O., was next called and began his ministerial work in August of 1845. It was through his efforts that a new organization upon purely Lutheran ground was effected and during his pastorate the structure, in which the congregation still worships, was erected and dedicated. He served from 1845 to 1855, a period of 10 years, and was succeeded by Rev. W. Schmogrow. During this pastor's administration the church tower was provided with the bell still in use. In 1858 he resigned, taking charge of the congregations at Richmond, Caroline and North Liberty. The St. John's church was now served temporarily by Rev. C. Adam until it called and secured Rev. F. Belser as pastor, which took place in the spring of 1859. By him the congregation was served almost 17 years. During his time the church came into the possession of a pipe organ and secured the entire services of its pastor. In the fall of 1875 Rev. Belser removed to Ann Arbor, Mich., where he is still residing. Rev. C. Clessler became his successor serving a period of three years. In 1878, after Rev. Clessler was called to the Brokensword Lutheran charge, where he still labors, Rev. E. A. Boehme assumed the duties of pastor in this church. The

congregation reluctantly consented to his departure for Columbus, where he was called to a Professorship in Capital University. He left in 1882 after serving St. John's church for four years. Rev. Boehme has since removed to Youngstown where he has again assumed the ministerial office. Rev. W. Linsenman became his successor here, but was called away in 1884 to Yorkville, Ill. Rev. H. P. Dannecker, his successor, is now serving the congregation. Thus in 44 years, which is the age of St. John's church as a purely Lutheran congregation, it has been served successively by six regular pastors.

**Conclusion.** A summary statement of the present condition of the St. John's church may prove interesting and form a fit conclusion. The congregation at present numbers 616 souls of whom 430 are confirmed members. An average annual addition of not less than 16 by confirmation has been made during the past five years. The congregation raises annually the sum of \$900 for salaries and incidental expenses, while its contributions for missionary purposes this year was almost \$600. Besides this an adequate salary was raised for its parochial school teacher by private subscriptions, which swells the whole amount to almost \$1,800. In its school it has 41 scholars enrolled while a class of 18 is being prepared for confirmation. The church council at present consists of Gotlieb Kuebler, Adam Zabst, Mathias Wuest, J. Michelfelder, Jr., F. Aschbacher, Geo. Klein, J. Harter, August Marquart and John Leonhart. Of these John Michelfelder, Jr., is treasurer and G. Kuebler, secretary.



## ST. BERNARD'S CATHOLIC CHURCH.

**Organization.** The history of this church begins at an early date of New Washington itself. In fact some of the founders of this church were among the first settlers of the village. As early as the year 1838 quite a number of the Catholic faith had become citizens of New Washington and surrounding community. These met and organized themselves at the house of John Alt where services were held twice a year, Mr. Alt having been one of the first settlers of the village. In his house services were held until 1847. Rev. Sheennig, of Pittsburg, was

the first pastor of this congregation for a number of years, the time of his service having been forgotten. Through the effort of Bishop Purcell, of Cincinnati, a permanent organization was effected in 1845. The organization then consisted of thirteen families. From henceforth the organization has been known as St. Bernard's Congregation. The thirteen families composing the organization at this time were as follows: Peter Young, Jno. Alt, Peter Gulong, Timothy McCarthy, Mathias Lahahof, Geo. Bechtel, Jacob Lux, Joseph Studer, Joseph Kramer, Mathias Kramer, Casper Dallas, Peter Fordner and Peter Yochum.

**Growth.** Shortly after the permanent organization had been effected in 1845, steps were taken preparatory for the erection of a church in the near future, as up to the this time they had been worshiping in the house of John Alt. Funds were raised, a lot purchased of McIntifer and in the summer of 1846 the frame work of the church was erected and put under roof by Wm. H. Pratt. The structure was 40 by 60 feet. In 1846 the membership was increased by four families who moved to this place. With their aid the building then undergoing construction was completed. In 1849 the church was dedicated, Bishop Rappee, of Cleveland, officiating. St. Bernard's congregation now had its own house of worship where regular services were held. The membership was continually increased by arrivals from sister congregations in various European countries. In 1852-53 while Rev. Peter Kreusch was pastor of St. Bernard's congregation an addition was built to the church to be used as a school house. Since that time a parochial school has been a permanent feature of this congregation. From henceforth the increase in the membership was so rapid that the church could no longer comfortably accomodate all its members. Steps were taken for the erection of a new and larger church. In 1866 the site upon which the present church, parsonage and school house now stand, was purchased at a cost of \$1400. The next year preparations for building the new church were made and in 1868 the corner stone was laid, Bishop Rappee officiating. Through the earnest efforts of Father Baker, who was pastor of this congregation, the work was vigorously prosecuted. A great deal of the work, such as burning the brick, hauling stone and sand, waiting on brick-layers, and furnishing lumber, was done gratuitously by its members. Notwithstanding all this, the expense of



this church was enormous. However, in 1872, the present imposing edifice, with its spire rising nearly 100 feet in the air, was completed and furnished at an estimated cost of about \$25,000. The same year the church was dedicated by Bishop Gilmore, of Cleveland. The costly furnished interior presents a scene of beauty and granduer. In 1874 the school house now in use was acquired at a cost of \$1000. Two years later the present parsonage was erected at a cost of \$4,500. The council at this time was composed of Peter Alt, Peter Gulong, Peter Studer, and John Nejdolast. The membership had increased to 120 families in 1879. At this time a church was built near Waynesburg where about forty families residing in that vicinity, formerly members of St. Bernards's congregation, organized themselves and formed a separate congregation. St. Bernard's congregation at present numbers over 80 families. Of recent years a large number of the members have moved away; but the loss in membership in this manner was more than counteracted by the steady increase in membership from within. Its resources in this respect are not at all exhausted, as there are over 350 children within its fold. Growth has certainly been a characteristic feature of this congregation, not only in membership but also in property. The congregation now owns a church, the finest structure in our little city, a good parsonage, a school house, and a large cemetery, absolutely free from debt. Its members also are in comfortable circumstances, some of them being among the leading business men of our Village, while others are among the most successful farmers of this community. That this congregation will continue to grow, both in membership and property, goes without saying. Indeed this congregation is looking forward to the time when a large, new and commodious brick school house will adorn the church premises.

**Services.** There was a time in the history of this church when there were but a few services held throughout the entire year. Until the year 1847 services were held only twice a year and those were held at irregular intervals. After 1847 until 1852 services were held more frequent than before but still with great irregularity. It was not until 1852 when the congregation received its first regular pastor who served them exclusively, in the person of Rev. Peter Kreusch, that services were held regularly every Sunday. Until Father Heiland's ministry at this

place all the services were conducted in the German language. For various reasons the English services were desirable, and Rev. Heiland satisfied this desire by introducing English services. These services, however, during his administration were only occasional. It was not until the present pastor, Rev. J. G. Vogt, began to serve this congregation, that English services were held regularly on the first Sunday of each month. At present St. Bernard's congregation has services every Sunday, mass every morning, services on every Wednesday and Friday evening during Lent, services on Christmas, New Year's Day, Ascension, Assumption of the Blessed Virgin on Aug. 15, The Feast of all saints Nov. 1, Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary Dec. 8. A Sunday School with an enrollment of about 150 pupils is in session every Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. In addition to this the congregation has a parochial school which is in session 10 months in a year, employing the services of two teachers who give instruction in both English and German languages. The council holds regular business meetings once a month.

**Connections.** This congregation was not always connected as it is at present. Prior to the year 1852 it was included in the Cincinnati diocese. At that time this congregation was transferred to the Cleveland diocese and is at present connected with the same. This diocese at present represents a membership of 250,000, 205 priests, one theological seminary, one college, 5 academies, 125 parochial schools and 7 orphan asylums containing 606 inmates. This diocese contributes largely for charitable and educational institutions, of which St. Bernard's congregation pays its regular quota per member. The annual contribution of this congregation for the support of its pastor and charitable and educational institutions of the church, is about \$2000.

**Pastors.** As is stated elsewhere in the history of this church the first pastor of this congregation was Rev. Sheennig, of Pittsburg, who held services here twice a year for a number of years. He evidently traversed a large territory which made it impossible for him to hold services more frequent at this place. He was succeeded by Rev. Michelmene, of Canton, Ohio, who also visited this place twice, annually, until 1844. From this time until 1852 the congregation was furnished various pastors by the Order of the Precious Blood stationed at Thompson, O.

It was while the congregation was being supplied with pastors by this Order that Bishop Purcell effected a permanent organization and the first church was built. In 1852 Rev. Peter Kreusch was sent here to serve St. Bernard's congregation as first resident pastor. It was during his two year's ministry here that the first school house was built and a parochial school instituted. At the expiration of two years he was succeeded by his brother, Rev. Mathias Kreusch, who served this congregation until 1859 when he was succeeded by Rev. Amandus Dumbach, who was pastor of this congregation until 1865. At this time Father Michael Baker assumed the pastoral work of this church and remained for nearly 16 years. During his faithful and efficient ministry the present imposing church and large parsonage was built. It is hardly probable that St. Bernard's congregation owes a greater debt of gratitude, for services rendered, to any one of its pastors than it owes to Rev. Baker. He remained with the congregation until 1881 when Father Lawrence Heiland succeeded him. At this time the congregation was in debt \$8,000. During Rev. Heiland's service of a little over six years, this debt had dwindled to \$1,000. Like his predecessor's, his services were fraught with good results and deserve much credit. On January 1, 1888, he was succeeded by the present pastor, Rev. J. G. Vogt, who already has won distinction for his zealous work for the congregation as under his brief administration the church debt has entirely disappeared. In all there have been eight pastors, not including those sent by the Order of the Precious Blood, of Thompson, Ohio, who have served this congregation.

**Conclusion.** The history of St. Bernard's congregation has now been traced through a period of fifty-one years. Its foundation was laid while the Red Man yet paid occasional visits to the place where it was founded. Its growth has been remarkable; it has stood the test of years. That it will continue to enjoy a steady growth is hardly questionable. It may be added here that the following persons constitute the present council: Anthony Herman, Frank Wechter, Philip Studer and James McCarthy.

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### METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

**Organization.** The organization of a Methodist Episco-

pal society at New Washington did not take place until a comparatively recent date. There were, however, a few residents in the village who adhered to this faith, but had no regular place of worship. They attended the services at various points on Goodwill circuit with as much regularity as possible. This, however, was very inconvenient for these worshipers, and the necessity for an organization at this place became more and more apparent. In about 1879, while Rev. Meade was pastor of Goodwill circuit, the organization of a class was effected at this place with W. S. Guthrie as Leader. During Rev. Philip Rosenberry's pastoral work at Goodwill, services were held in the Church of God regularly by this society every two weeks for about six months. At the expiration of this time no more services were held for want of a place of worship. Confronted with this seemingly insurmountable difficulty, the little band of worshipers were deprived from holding regular services for some time. It was not until early in 1883, during Rev. E. L. Smith's pastorate on Goodwill circuit, that the question of erecting a new church was effectively agitated. A subscription for this purpose was taken, and in the summer of the same year the present building was erected at a cost of about \$2,400. The church was dedicated in the autumn of the same year. After the dedication of the church a second and permanent organization of this society was effected in accordance with the discipline of the Methodist Episcopal church. The membership was quite small, not exceeding five or six families. Among the leading members were W. S. Guthrie, Dr. J. S. Hershisier, Robert Hilborn, J. E. Cory and John Mahon, Sr.

**Growth.** Since this church has had its own house of worship the membership has steadily increased. In the autumn of 1883 the society was composed of only ten or twelve members. This membership has been increased to about thirty-six within the period of six years. The future prospects for this church are exceptionally bright. Through a hard struggle the society has secured a comfortable house of worship, and has the same free from debt. Its resources for an increase in membership in the future are excellent. Through the instrumentality of its Sunday School, the nursery of the church, the children within its fold are diligently instructed in Scriptural teachings every Sunday morning. That it will be the means of largely increas-



ing the membership of the church, cannot reasonably be doubted. That many may be brought within its fold and its growth in the future may far exceed that of the past, is sincerely to be hoped.

**Services.** At first the services of this church were quite irregular owing to the fact that the congregation had no house of its own in which to worship. Since the new church was dedicated preaching services were held regularly every alternate Sunday until September, 1888. Since that time services were held regularly every Sunday. Besides the regular services on Sunday, a series of meetings is held during the winter season. Prayer and Class service is held every Wednesday evening. Special services are held for children. A Sunday School with an enrollment of 75 pupils, convenes every Sunday morning at 9:30 o'clock, necessitating the services of seven teachers. An hour is thus spent in diligent and devout study of the Word of God. Special services for children are also held on various occasions throughout the year. The Official Board meets once each quarter for the transaction of business.

**Connections.** This society is connected with the Quarterly Conference of New Washington circuit which embraces this society and the societies at Goodwill, Pleasant Grove and Cranberry Chapel. It is represented in the Quarterly Conference by its stewards, class leaders, trustees and Sunday School superintendent. This society is also connected with the Mansfield district of the North Ohio Conference, the latter of which in 1884 represented 23,258 members, not including probationers, and 169 ministers. The North Ohio Conference is connected with the fifth district of the General Conference. This district in 1885 represented 192,993 members.

**Ministers.** The organization of the first class was effected under the supervision of Rev. Meade, then pastor of Goodwill circuit. He was succeeded by Rev. Philip R. Rosenberry, who held regular services at this place every two weeks for six months but was then obliged to cease for want of a place of worship. Rev. E. L. Smith next assumed the pastoral work of this circuit and remained for two years. It was during his service here that the question of building a church was agitated. Through his efficient efforts the agitation of this question resulted in the erection of the church, he, himself, contributing liberally for its con-

struction. In September, 1883, he was succeeded by Rev. Isaac Beebe. At the beginning of Rev. Beebe's ministry at this place the new church was dedicated and the permanent organization of this society effected. He remained at this place for two years when he was succeeded by Rev. Jesse Williams in September, 1885. Rev. Williams served this congregation for three years, during which time the membership was materially increased. Through his untiring effort the old church debt was entirely paid off, and sufficient money raised to comfortably furnish the interior of the church. The society now had a beautiful church, well furnished and free from a burdensome debt. During his work here the name of this circuit was changed; now being known as the New Washington circuit instead of Goodwill. In September, 1888, he was succeeded by Rev. S. Z. Kauffman who is at present serving this society. Since his arrival this society has had regular services every Sunday.

**Conclusion.** The Methodist Episcopal church of New Washington, as an organized society, is yet in its infancy. Its work has been fairly well begun. As a reward a substantial increase in membership was realized. That this church will be instrumental in the extension of the Redeemer's kingdom on Earth is sincerely to be hoped. It may be added here that the Official Board of this society at present is composed of the following persons: T. B. Carson, Dr. A. H. Hise, W. S. Guthrie, Chas. Mahon and Aaron Flohr.



## CHURCH OF GOD.

**Organization.** This congregation, as an organized body, had its birth on March 19, 1871. The organization was effected under the direction of Rev. D. S. Warner, who was pastor of this church for two years after its organization. The original membership of this society was 46. Of these Dr. J. S. Hershisser and John Hellem were elected Elders and Wm. H. Pratt as Deacon. As the congregation was yet without a regular house of worship, a room in Pratt's building was secured temporarily for a place of worship. In this room services were held regularly every alternate Sunday. The organization of the Church of God at this place has proved permanent as it yet exists.

**Growth.** The organization of this society was the outgrowth of a series of meetings held at this place early in 1871. Shortly after the organization of this society, measures were taken for the erection of a church which the congregation much needed. In 1872 the church which is now being used as its house of worship, was erected at a cost of \$2,200. In October of the same year the church was dedicated. During this year the congregation was materially increased as the membership now numbered 63. From this time on the congregation suffered the loss of many members who moved to other localities. This loss weakened the congregation so far as membership was concerned, but did not weaken the zeal and devotion of the members remaining.

**Services.** Regular services were held by this congregation every alternate Sunday since its organization; no change in their time or frequency having been made. A special series of meetings is generally held in the winter season. Prayer meetings are held once a week regularly. Shortly after the organization of this congregation a Sunday School was also organized which convened every Sunday morning until recently when a change of time for its meeting was made. It now convenes every Sunday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock.

**Connections.** This congregation is connected with the West Ohio Eldership of the Church of God. This Eldership meets annually, at which time the various pastors are assigned their respective fields of labor for one year.

**Ministers.** The first pastor of this congregation was Rev. D. S. Warner who remained for two years. He was succeeded by Revs. J. L. Jenner and Solomon Kline. After the expiration of their time of service at this place, the congregation has been served at various periods by the following pastors: Revs. Wilson, McKee, Ackerman, Oliver, W. P. Burchard and L. Rothrock. The last named is at present serving the congregation and has served the same with good results for three consecutive years.

**Conclusion.** The future of this congregation may yet reveal wonders. Though the membership at present is comparatively small, yet their zeal is strong. What they can accomplish relative to the increase in membership, can hardly be foretold. It is, however, hoped that this congregation will rapidly increase in the future.

## The Municipal Government.

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**Incorporation.** Early in the year 1874, the citizens of New Washington framed and signed a petition praying for the incorporation of their village. This petition was presented to the commissioners of Crawford County at their session in March of the same year. On the 4th day of the same month the following action relative thereto was taken as shown by the records: "The County Commissioners, after hearing said petition and being satisfied that at least fifty qualified voters actually reside within the limits described in the petition, and that said petition has been signed by a majority of them; that said limits have been accurately described, and an accurate map or plat thereof has been made and filed; that the name proposed for said incorporated village is proper, and sufficient to distinguish it from others of a like kind in the State, and that, moreover, it is deemed right and proper, in the judgment and discretion of this board, that said petition be granted, and they hereby make and indorse on said petition, an order to the effect that the incorporated village, so named and described in the petition, be organized." The village thus incorporated was numerically the fourth in Crawford County.

On April 5, 1875, the Incorporated Village of New Washington held its first municipal election, which resulted in the election of the following officers: Mathias Kibler, Mayor; Lewis C. Donnenwirth, Clerk; John Miller, Treasurer; Louis Faeth, Marshal; Jacob Stoutenour, Wm. Aschbacher and J. H. Miller, Councilmen for the term of two years, and Wm. Donnenwirth, John Tribolet and Jacob Sheetz for the term of one year. On the following Thursday evening, April 9, 1875, the council-elect held its first meeting and was organized. The various officers-elect were duly administered the oath of office. These were some of the leading events attending the birth of the municipal government of the Incorporated Village of New Washington, Ohio.



**Official, Financial and Miscellaneous.** The following is a condensed statement of officials elected, monies received and expended and miscellaneous events as they occurred from year to year since the incorporation of the village:

**1875.\*** April 15, Robert Hilborn was elected Street Commissioner by the council. Tax levy for the year, six and four-tenths mills. \$125 were borrowed for one year on May 15. The condition of the treasury was as follows:

Receipts.....	\$1068 36
Expenditures.....	\$ 711 26
Balance in treasury.....	357 10

**1876.** At the election in April Wm. Donnenwirth, Jacob Sheetz and John Tribolet were re-elected as councilmen. Tax levy, five and eight-tenths mills. This year, in the history of the incorporated village, was signalized by the death of its Mayor, Mathias Kibler, who departed this life on September 23. On the 7th of October at a special election, Wm. H. Pratt was elected to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mr. Kibler. At the meeting of council on Oct. 5, the following resolutions of respect in honor of the late Mayor Kibler, were unanimously adopted:

*Whereas*, It has pleased the Almighty Ruler to remove from our midst, by the Hand of Death, our worthy Mayor and esteemed fellow citizen, Mathias Kibler, therefore

*Resolved* by the Council of the Village of New Washington, Ohio, That, in the death of the deceased, the village lost an able officer, the community an honest and worthy citizen, and the family and relatives a kind parent and friend; and while we humbly submit to the will of the Divine Ruler, we receive the news of his death with deep sorrow and lament that one so useful as an officer and citizen should be taken from among us,

*Resolved*, That we tender to the bereaved family and relatives of the deceased, our heartfelt sympathy in this their deep affliction,

*Resolved*, That a copy of these resolutions be recorded in the Village records, that a copy be furnished the family of the deceased, and, also, the Crawford County *Forum* for publication.

In January the office of one councilman became vacant by the death of John Tribolet. On January 31, an election was

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\*The years referred to begin on April 1, i. e. 1875 begins on April 1, 1875 and closes March 31, 1876. Treasury statement given at end of these years.

held to fill said vacancy which resulted in the election of Benedict Uhl. The financial transactions of the treasury for the year were as follows:

*Amount in treasury.....	\$ 357 10
Receipts.....	1368 89
Expenditures.....	\$ 725 46
Balance in treasury.....	1000 53

**1877.** At the municipal election on April 2, the result was as follows: Mayor, W. H. Pratt; Clerk L. C. Donnenwirth; Treasurer, John Miller; Marshal, Lewis Faeth; Street Commissioner, J. F. Lederer; Councilmen for full term, Jacob Stoutenour, J. H. Miller and Wm. Aschbacher; for unexpired term of Wm. Donnenwirth, resigned, S. S. Charles was elected. Tax levy for the year was five and four-tenths mills. Changes were made in the plan for the proposed Mayor's office and prison. The work already done amounted to \$190. By a special Act of Legislature the village issued bonds to the amount of \$1200, for the purpose of building said office and prison. The contract for furnishing material and erecting said office and prison was awarded to John French and Peter Faeth for the consideration of \$1655.25. The financial statement for the year was as follows:

Amount in treasury.....	\$1000 53
Receipts from all sources.....	2313 35
Expenditures.....	\$2544 61
Balance in treasury.....	769 27

**1878.** At the election on April 1, S. J. Kibler, Conrad Kahler and John Michelfelder, Jr., were elected councilman for the term of two years, and Peter Faeth was elected councilman to fill the unexpired term of J. H. Miller, resigned. Tax levy was four and eight-tenths mills. The monies collected and expended for the year were as follows.

Amount in treasury.....	\$ 769 27
Receipts from all sources.....	1234 46
Expenditures.....	\$1248 73
Balance in treasury.....	755 00

**1879.** The election on April 7, resulted in the election of the following officers: P. D. Studer, Mayor; L. C. Donnenwirth, Clerk; John Miller, Treasurer; Frederic Anders, Mar-

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\*Amount in Treasury at last settlement. Balance in Treasury is amount on hand at present settlement or end of year,

shal; Conrad Kahler, Street Commissioner; Peter Faeth, Peter Alt and Geo. B. Wolf, Councilmen for full term, and John Donnenwirth to fill unexpired term of Conrad Kahler. The tax levy for the year was two and eight tenths mills. Receipts and expenditures were as follows:

Amount in treasury.....	\$ 755 00
Receipts from all sources.....	1041 53
Expenditures.....	\$ 918 31
Balance in treasury.....	878 22

**1880.** At the election on April 5, John Michelfelder, Jr., S. J. Kibler and John Donnenwirth were re-elected as councilmen. The tax levy for the year was two and eight-tenths mills. Frederic Anders resigned his position as Marshal, and Isaac Hosler was appointed to serve the unexpired term. The following were the receipts and expenditures for the year:

Amount in treasury.....	\$ 878 22
Receipts from all sources.....	754 36
Expenditures.....	\$ 558 46
Balance in treasury.....	1074 12

**1881.** The result of the election held on April 4, was as follows: L. C. Donnenwirth, Mayor; C. F. Snyder, Clerk; Wm. Aschbacher, Treasurer; Isaac Hosler, Marshal; Conrad Kahler, Street Commissioner; C. K. Heabler, J. F. Aschbacher and Peter Alt, Councilmen. Tax levy, three and six-tenths mills. The condition of the treasury was as follows:

Amount in treasury.....	\$1074 12
Receipts from all sources.....	934 12
Expenditures.....	\$ 753 97
Balance in treasury.....	1254 27

**1882.** W. H. Donnenwirth, John Miller and George B. Wolf were elected councilmen on April 2. Tax levy for the year was three and six-tenths mills. The treasurer's summary statement was as follows:

Amount in treasury.....	\$1254 27
Receipts from all sources.....	949 73
Expenditures.....	\$1164 13
Balance in treasury.....	1039 87

**1883.** At the election on April 2, L. C. Donnenwirth was elected Mayor; J. W. Kibler, Clerk; Wm. Aschbacher, Treasurer; John Kahler, Marshal; George Lederer, Street Commis-

sioner; and C. K. Heabler, J. H. Sheetz and J. F. Aschbacher, Councilmen. Tax levy, three and six-tenths mills. Fire companies were organized, engine and hose purchased and cistern built. The monies received and expended for the year were as follows:

Amount in treasury.....	\$1039 87
Receipts from all sources.....	2266 89
Expenditures.....	\$2446 99
Balance in treasury.....	859 77

**1884.** Isaac Hosler, A. Richner and Michael Schoefer were elected councilmen. The office of one councilman became vacant by C. K. Heabler moving from the village. At a special meeting of the Council on May 22, the Mayor appointed Jacob Metzger to fill the vacancy. The appointment was confirmed by the Council. Tax levy for the year was three and three-tenths mills. A cistern was built at the intersection of Main and Kibler streets. On January 27, John Kahler resigned his position as Marshal. The Mayor appointed Charles Vollmer to fill the vacancy in the office of Marshal, the appointment being confirmed by the Council. The condition of the treasury was as follows:

Amount in treasury.....	\$ 859 77
Receipts from all sources.....	1147 34
Expenditures.....	\$ 958 01
Balance in treasury.....	1049 10

**1885.** The election of municipal officers in April resulted as follows: H. M. Cory, Mayor; J. W. Kibler, Clerk; Wm. Aschbacher, Treasurer; Charles Vollmer, Marshal; Conrad Kahler, Street Commissioner; Peter Alt, George Hepp and J. H. Sheetz, Councilmen. Tax levy, three and two-tenths mills. On November 14, Charles Vollmer resigned his position as Marshal. George Lederer was appointed to fill the vacancy caused by Mr. Vollmer's resignation. A building for the sheltering of machinery belonging to the Corporation, was erected at a cost of \$308.27. By the moving of A. Richner from the village, the office of one councilman became vacant. The Mayor appointed John Michelfelder, Jr., to fill the vacancy, who was administered the oath of office on March 9. Treasurer's summary statement was as follows:

Amount in treasury.....	\$1049 10
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Receipts from all sources.....	983 21
Expenditures.....	\$ 968 13
Balance in treasury.....	1064 18

**1886.** At the regular election Isaac Hosler, Louis Faeth and Michael Schoeffer were elected councilmen. Charles Vollmer was elected Marshal to serve his unexpired term. The tax levy for the year was three and one-tenth mills. The condition of the treasury at the end of the year was as follows:

Amount in treasury.....	\$1064 18
Receipts from all sources.....	1107 00
Expenditures.....	\$1119 81
Balance in treasury.....	1051 37

**1887.** At the municipal election held in April the following officers were elected: H. M. Cory, Mayor; J. W. Kibler, Clerk; J. R. Miller, Treasurer; Peter Engemann, Marshal; Conrad Kahler, Street Commissioner; Peter Alt, George Hepp and J. F. Aschbacher, Councilmen. Tax levy, two and six-tenths mills. Two brick cisterns were built. Michael Schoeffer resigned his position as councilman and W. C. Brown was appointed as his successor. On August 9, Peter Engemann presented his resignation as Marshal. Conrad Kahler was appointed to fill said vacancy but refused to qualify. John Schwemley was next appointed and the oath of office administered. By a Special Act of the General Assembly and by a vote of the citizens of New Washington on January 23, the Village Council was authorized to issue bonds to the amount of \$2,500 for the purpose of sinking gas wells. The bonds were accordingly issued. The monies received and expended for the year were as follows:

Amount in treasury.....	\$1057 37
Receipts from all sources.....	2170 22
Expenditures.....	\$1514 37
Balance in treasury.....	1713 22

**1888.** At the election in April W. C. Brown, Isaac Hosler and Charles Vollmer were elected councilmen and John Schwemley Marshal for unexpired term. Tax levy, four and three-tenths mills. A cistern was built on East Mansfield street. A Board of Health was appointed and organized. The condition of the treasury was as follows:

Amount in treasury.....	\$1713 22
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Receipts from all sources.....	4771 45
Expenditures.....	\$4803 50
Balance in treasury.....	1681 17

**1889.** The result of the election in April is given in the Official Directory of New Washington which accompanies this volume. Tax levy, three and eight-tenths mills. Street lamps were purchased and put in operation. It may be added that all the bonds have been redeemed, except one \$500-bond which is the extent of the Village's present indebtedness. The heavy expenditures for this and the preceding year are accounted for by the prompt redemption of bonds. The monies received and expended for the year cannot be given owing to the fact that the fiscal year does not end until March 31, 1890.

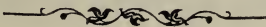
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## The Conclusion.

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It is not the intention of the author to give a detailed account of the merits of the business men of our little city, as quite a comprehensive idea relative thereto, can be obtained from the general directory of New Washington, accompanying this work. Let it, however, be said that, if the present activity in business matters is maintained, New Washington will become an important point so far as a market is concerned. The business men, generally, are wide-awake and enterprising. The future of the little city largely depends on the present. To the churches and the schools we look for the moral and intellectual advancement of the people, and to the municipal government for the faithful enforcement of law and the correction and suppression of evil. If these fail, then the future is dark indeed; but if they succeed, then the future is perfectly bright. After all the citizens will have this question to decide. It is simply a matter of choice. Choose wisely.

## Cranberry Township.



An extensive history of Cranberry township to accompany the history of New Washington is uncalled for as the one enters largely into the composition of the other and vice versa. New Washington has always been the seat of government of Cranberry township and has been the central figure of the same since 1833. Most of those who were prominently connected with the affairs of the township, were citizens of New Washington of whom mention is made elsewhere.

There were, however, a few prominent personage in the township who were not residents of New Washington, who deserve recognition. It is generally believed that a Mr. Bergin was the first regular settler of the township, who located in the eastern part of the township as early as 1823. Aaron Cory became a resident of the township in 1826 and became a very prominent figure in later years. He was an ordained minister of the Methodist Episcopal church and was very influential in encouraging church and school organizations. His son, Thomas, also was a man of marked ability and integrity, and held various positions of honor and trust. The latter's son, H. M. Cory, is at present serving his third term as Mayor of New Washington, and has held various other responsible positions. Among some of the other early settlers were the following: Chas. Doney, Joshua Chilcote, James Boner, Jacob Shaeffer, Jacob Boyer and Christopher Faulk.

The township has been known by its present name as early as 1827, but did not take its present size until about 1835. It was a low, swampy and forbidding tract of land. The hardships which the early settlers encountered can hardly be comprehended by the present generation. How this desolate swamp could be turned into the best and most productive farms, can only be fully told by the years of struggle by our sturdy and courageous pioneer settlers. The swamp was made to disappear and in its stead are now found some of the most fertile and best improved farms of Crawford County.

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 Bittikofer, Chris., employee at Dr. Keller's.  
 Crouse, E. C., drayman, res on Main b Kibler & Center.  
 Farmers' Dry Goods Store, Mansfield street, Keller's Block.  
 Guiss, Jacob, Jr., jeweler, at West End Boot & Shoe Store.  
 Hildebrand, Frank, clerk at Farmers' Dry Goods Store.  
 King, T. A., barber, res East Mansfield st.  
 King, Mrs. T. A., dressmaker, res East Mansfield st.  
 Mathern, Martin, baker, Mansfield b Kibler & Monroe.  
 Schictel, Peter, barber, bds on East Mansfield.  
 Shipman, James, laborer, res s w cor East & Main.  
 Shipman, John, laborer, rs s w cor East & Main.  
 Smith, Anthony, res West Mansfield st.  
 Winhurst, Wm. G., pharmacist, at Farmers Drug Store.

### Changes in Business.

Bear, J. J., hardware, Mansfield b Kibler & Monroe.  
 Brown Bros., dissolved partnership.  
 Brown, J. D., cigars, tobaccos, musical instruments, &c.  
 Donnenwith, John, saloon s w cor Mansfield & Monroe.  
 Hepp, Anthony, produce merchant, Mansf'd b Fr'nklin & Wal.  
 Marquardt, Christopher, laborer.  
 Siefert, Geo. & Bro., dealers in grain, &c.  
 Swineford, A. M., prop'r Central Hotel.

A few mentioned in the general directory are now deceased, others have moved away while some of the ladies have since been married and are no more known by the surnames as given in this work.

### CRANBERRY TOWNSHIP.

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New Washington, Ohio.

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**A. H. HISE, M. D.,**

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Opposite Catholic Church,

New Washington, Ohio.

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